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THE BUDGET

THERE are no few changes in the 1959-60 budget that it may be described as a "stay-put" measure. This is because Government expects roughly similar economic conditions as in the present financial year. So we continue to travel along a tortuous but still reasonably level road in top gear. Our own hasty assessment of the proposals yesterday was that it was a "standstill" budget, but whether we move through events, or events move around us, the result is the same: our financial arrangements require virtually no correction.

The budgeted deficit in the current year—\$87 million—is expected to become a handy surplus of \$39 million, and the next financial year in which the Financial Secretary has budgeted for a similar deficit may produce a similar result. The current year's discrepancy is largely because of an unexpected increase in revenue and a shortfall in Public Works expenditure. Government believes this may not be repeated and that most of the Public Works estimate of \$181 million will be spent in the coming year. We doubt it. But in any case reserves will help out if the PWD lives up to its expectations.

RELIEF granted in the form of abolition of duty on toilet preparations and proprietary medicines brings the effects of this year's budget into every home. Normally this would be commendable but we make a reservation. The concession is trivial—the cost to Government will be only \$5½ million a year. Besides this particular tax has been difficult to administer. So the gesture is hardly magnanimous and the Financial Secretary leaves us with the feeling that if more future, he would complicate means. This raises a small but important issue. By world standards, in Hongkong, are not overtaxed. But the great bulk of the \$600 million Government is expected this year will be paid by a minority of the population. Yet the benefits of its expenditure will be felt by all. Now it is right that Government should expect contributions—however small—from everybody.

THE small duty it is cancelling is not a severe impost on the poorest in the Colony for invariably charity comes to their aid. And while no one will cavil at the idea of cheaper toothpaste, soap or lipstick, Government should stick to the principle that everyone shares in paying the Colony's huge bills, made huge incidentally by the presence of hundreds of thousands of sojourners whom the Colony is supporting until happier times return to their own country. The Financial Secretary says that Government has been able to double revenue in seven years by insisting that we all pay our fair share. This must always be the policy. We applaud the fact that Government has done so much in recent years without raising taxes. Today it appears to be nearing the limits of its ingenuity. The Colony will not grumble if in future more money has to be found to pay our ever growing bills. But the idea of spreading the burden of taxation so that all pay something should not be overlooked, even though the wealthier few provide most of what is needed.

K. FACED WITH STRAIGHT-FROM-THE-SHOULDER QUESTIONS MACMILLAN IS ANGRY

Moscow Talks Reach A Low Point

From DOUGLAS CLARK

Moscow, Feb. 24. The temperature of the Macmillan-Khrushchev talks in Moscow, plummeted today to freezing point.

Macmillan was terribly angry today when the leaders met again in the country villa which the Russians had placed at his disposal.

He asked Khrushchev point-blank:

★ What were your private motives for the public speech you made yesterday?

★ Is it really worthwhile to keep the talks going? (Khrushchev's speech denounced the Western proposal for an East-West Foreign Ministers conference and suggested a 20-year non-aggression pact between Britain and Soviet Russia, and made yet another trade on Persia, Britain's Baghdad Pact ally.)

No Fuss!

Khrushchev, I gather, took the line that he could not understand what the fuss was about. He had made the sort of knock-out speech expected of him when the Soviet election campaign was on. Naturally he had brought in foreign affairs. And he offered to leave Moscow and accompany Macmillan on his trip to Kiev tomorrow.

The offer, of course, was accepted and they will fly in the same plane together with the Foreign Secretary, Selwyn Lloyd.

But tonight, the tone in British diplomatic circles is still acid. The typical comment on the Khrushchev speech "It is a good thing he made it now, rather than after we had left, because at least we can take up his points with him personally." The first thing today Macmillan and Lloyd studied the full text of the speech. By the time Khrushchev had turned up for lunch with the Soviet Deputy Premier, Mikoyan, Foreign Minister Gromyko and the Ambassador to Britain, Mr. M. British attitude to the speech was firmly settled.

Restrained

Macmillan would not come outside to meet his guests and be photographed. Instead, on the plea that his cold was bothering him—and indeed after a giddy spell which overtook him at the British Embassy last night he is still far from well—he gave orders that pictures should be taken in the entrance hall.

Here he met Khrushchev and others with frigid courtesy. Later his cold did not prevent him from joining them in a coolly restrained meal among the pines and beeches surrounding the villa with the Union Jack fluttering on its roof.

Throughout the one and a half hour lunch, the atmosphere stayed that way. Even toasts were drunk by the British side with cold politeness.

Then the two leaders withdrew to the sitting room where Macmillan exploded his two straight-from-the-shoulder questions.

British diplomatic circles are at pains tonight to contrast all this with the extremely cordial relations of the two leaders at the British Embassy dinner only 48 hours ago.

Not Budged

And they are appraising the deep differences which remain between the Soviet and Western attitudes to Germany. The speech, they point out, shows that apparently he had not budged an inch.

Well, the British too are standing firm with their French and American allies. This re-emphasizes on a common Western

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'Flying Saucers' Follow Airliner

Detroit, Feb. 25. The pilot of an American Airlines DC-6 airliner said here today that three mysterious objects resembling shining saucers had accompanied his plane for 45 minutes last night on a flight from Newark, New Jersey, to Detroit.

Captain Peter Killian said other members of the crew and some of the plane's passengers had also seen the objects, and when he called other airline pilots in the vicinity by radio they reported similar sightings.

Captain Killian and his co-pilot, John Deo, said the objects finally disappeared in the haze as the plane lost altitude to land.

"The objects were by no

means close to the plane," Captain Killian said. "But one would move in at intervals, fall back again and change its place in the formation while keeping abreast of the ship (aircraft) which was travelling at 350 mph."

An aircraft manufacturing executive passenger said: "Every now and then one would glow brighter than the others as if it had moved nearer the plane."—Reuter.

DUKE'S DRESS RAISED EYEBROWS

London, Feb. 25. The belted Norfolk jacket and knickerbockers in which the Duke of Edinburgh was photographed during a shooting party in Pakistan are not a new addition to his wardrobe, Mr. Edward Watson, the Duke's tailor, said here today.

"He has had that suit for at least 15 years," Mr.

Watson said. "He often wears it shooting in Scotland."

The knickerbockers of the Duke's (grey-green) suit fasten below the knee are worn with long socks.

Saville Row, traditional home of the finest British tailoring, today applauded the Duke's choice of the Edwardian-style coun-

PEKING HAS BIGGEST SNOWFALL IN A CENTURY

Peking, Feb. 25. PEKING shivered today under its heaviest snowfall for this time of year for more than a century.

Snow, which began falling last night, continued throughout this morning and afternoon, draping a white blanket over the city's roofs and piling up to one foot deep in some places.

Squads of workers, housewives and police shovelled the snow away from the broad main streets and

narrow lanes. The city authorities urged people to watch out for sparrows driven out from winter quarters to seek food and to scatter poisoned bait so as to kill off birds which are considered pests here.

The snow was welcomed, the New China News Agency said, and the Ministry of Agriculture issued a directive saying the snow was very beneficial to the growth of wheat and to spring ploughing. —Reuter and U.P.I.

HK COLD SPELL EXPECTED TO CONTINUE

The present cold spell is expected to last for another 36 hours, according to a spokesman of the Royal Observatory this morning.

ANTARCTICA —THE NEW WORLD?

Melbourne, Feb. 25. The possibility of settling Antarctica with the over-flowing populations of the world or using it as a giant refrigerator for storing food was discussed during an eight-day meeting of an Antarctic Meteorology Symposium here, it was reported today.

F. T. Hannan, Senior Meteorologist of Melbourne, said that the symposium filled many gaps in the overall picture. He reported:

- ★ Antarctica contains a huge ice dome up to 10,000 feet thick.
- ★ The average depth of ice is 7,000 feet.
- ★ Under the ice dome, about sea level, is a rocky surface.
- ★ Antarctica proper is a low-lying continent with only a few mountains.
- ★ Soviet scientists established a base at what is believed to be the coldest spot on earth.
- ★ There is a 1,000-foot layer of cold air over Antarctica, with warmer air above.—U.P.I.

Washington, Feb. 25. The White House Press Secretary, James C. Hagerty, said today he knew of no basis for reports from abroad that the United States might order partial mobilisation before Russia's May 27 deadline for ending the occupation of Berlin.—U.P.I.

FIGHT AGAINST 'FAROUK CHOCOLATE'

Milan, Feb. 25. Ex-King Farouk of Egypt today started the second round of a battle against "Farouk Chocolate."

The portly exiled monarch lost the first round some time ago when a civil tribunal ruled that an Italian firm is nearby had had a full right to call

its brand of chocolate "Farouk."

The ex-sovereign had asked the court to order the name changed.

The company argued that Farouk was "just another name" as common in the Middle East as Joe in the West. Farouk did not give up. Today his lawyers appealed the ruling in a civil court of appeal in Milan.—U.P.I.

KING HUSSEIN, THE ROAD CLEARER

Amman, Feb. 25. King Hussein directed an unusual snow clearance operation today in Jordan, which was buried under a five-inch white blanket.

As the flakes whirled thick over the capital, the King took off in his helicopter for a reconnaissance slip round his snow bound kingdom. On returning to his office, he issued orders to his Jordanian authorities, and within a matter of hours all the country's main roads were cleared.—France-Press.

New Party In Singapore

Singapore, Feb. 26. Formation of a new political group, the Citizens Party, was announced here tonight. Its aims include independence by constitutional means and a merger between Malaya and Singapore.—Reuter.

Twelve Children Killed In Collapse

San Luis, Feb. 25. A Mexican National Flag Day celebration south of here by 70 school children turned into tragedy yesterday when a temporary stage and brick wall collapsed.

Twelve children were killed and more than 50 others injured, 31 seriously, in the accident.

There were reports that some of the timber supporting the temporary stage had been stolen, weakening it so much it would not support the weight of the children.

11 Or Under

The tragedy occurred at Estacion Coahuila 18 miles south of San Luis, a railroad terminal town on the Mexican border.

Police said all the survivors were injured. Each youngster was 11 or younger.

The injured were taken to hospitals at San Luis and at Mexico.—U.P.I.

ADENAUER DOWN WITH THE FLU

Bonn, Feb. 25. Dr. Konrad Adenauer, 83-year-old West German Chancellor, is suffering slightly from influenza, but this has not affected his respiratory organs, as on some previous occasions the Chief Government spokesman, said today.—Reuter.

Makarios May Undergo Surgery

London, Feb. 25. Greek-Cypriot leader Archbishop Makarios may have to undergo a minor sinus operation, it was learned today from sources in his entourage. No decision has yet been taken, however, and it was hoped that the operation would be made unnecessary by antibiotics. Makarios has been given to combat a sinus attack.—China Mail

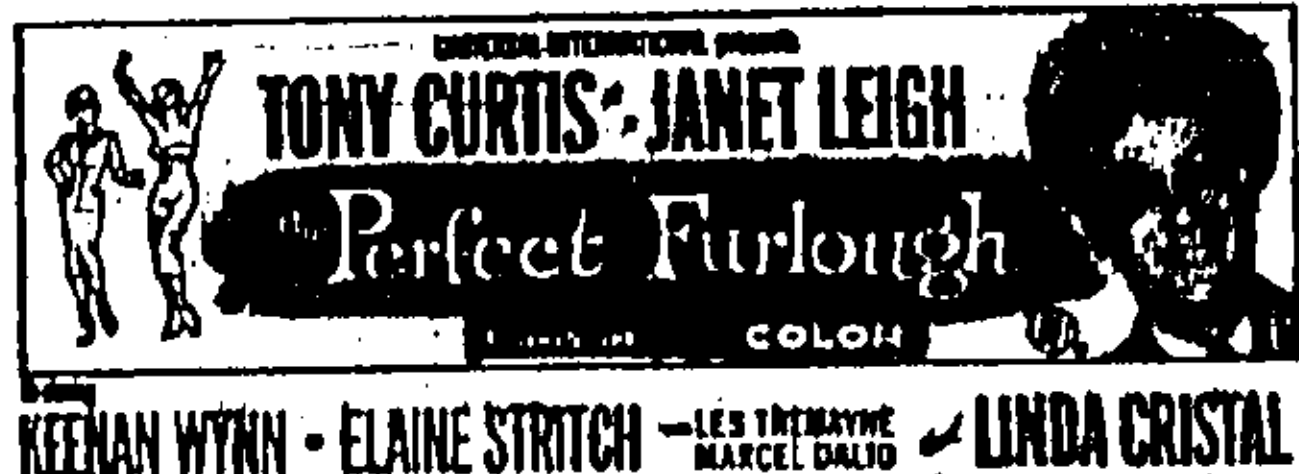
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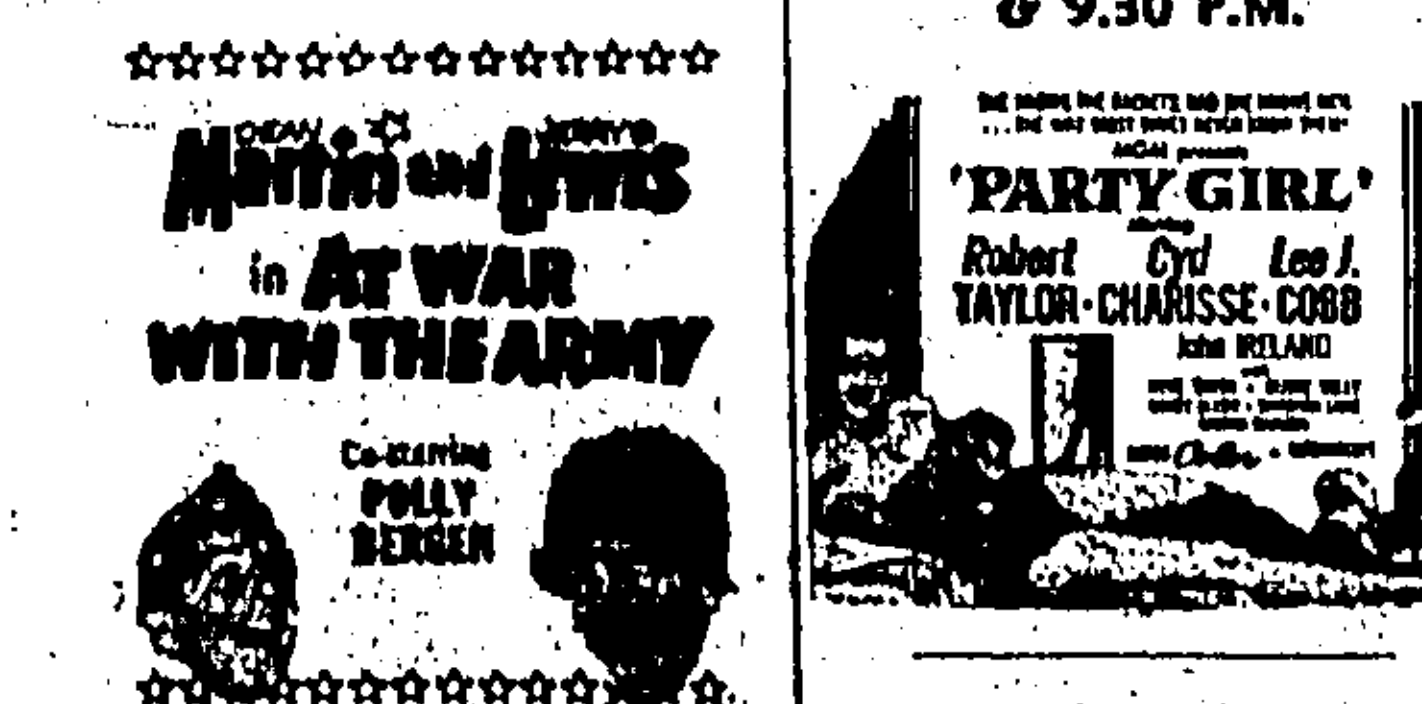


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Baby Susan Was A Shop Lifter



MRS YAXLEY

Mother Takes Child Of 2 Shop Raiding

London, Feb. 25. Two-year-old Susan could not resist purses—they were like dolls to her. So her mother used to take her out "shopping" and hold her near the basket of any woman who happened to be near the counter.

If there was a purse in the basket, Susan would pick it up and hand it to her mother, 21-year-old Mrs. Maureen Yaxley, of Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Surrey.

With little Susan tucked under one arm Mrs. Yaxley would then walk out of the shop, take the money out and throw the empty purse away.

SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR ALL

Detroit, Feb. 25. The Minister of Education Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, in a speech at Wayne University today said:

"By the mid-1960s secondary education for all will be a reality in Britain. There will be nearly 50 per cent more university places."

The British education system in the next five years "will place still more emphasis on specialised institutions than you do here in America," he said.

Mr. Lloyd explained that the British public schools "did perform an extremely valuable social function despite their privileged position."

Fusion
"Just as your common schools welded immigrant communities to one nation, so our public schools throughout the 19th century fused the old landed aristocracy and the rising industrial middle class," he continued.

"This more than anything else accounts for the stability of British life at a time when acute conflict was raging elsewhere in Europe between the old governing classes and the new middle classes."

Mr. Lloyd added: "What has struck me most on my tour of American schools and colleges is not so much the differences between the American and British systems as the way in which we are growing closer together."—U.P.I.

Stretched
When Susan was spotted stretching her arm into a basket her mother chided her gently, apologised for her "naughty child," exchanged smiles with the near-victim, and passed on to another likely-looking busy shopper.

So many purses disappeared that the police thought a big-scale gang war was at work. And a team of detectives was organised to smash "the gang."

At Richmond Magistrates' court, Mrs. Yaxley, in a neat turquoise blue swaggy coat, told the police she had been stealing purses regularly ever since Christmas. "It all started when the baby took a purse from a bag and gave it to me."

She told the court she had taken 14 other purses.

There were two previous convictions against Mrs. Yaxley. It was said she was now living with a man not her husband by whom she had an eight-month-old son.

She was sentenced to six months' gaol. "I'll come out," Susan will live with relatives. —Express Service.

Bed Rent Racket Brings Fortunes For Landladies
Budapest, Feb. 25. Rapacious landladies in Hungary are making fortunes by crowding lodgers in five to a room.

One landlady was reported to have let three beds and two sofas all in one room for about £3 (HK\$48) each a month. This gave her a monthly income of £15 (HK\$240), although her rent for the whole flat was less than nine shillings (HK\$9) a month.

Asked where the occupants—all girls—could wash, the landlady, who greeted her visitor lying in bed beneath an eiderdown, replied: "In the kitchen."

She said her rentals covered heating, but said that so far this winter there had been no need for it. —China Mail Special.

THE CARPENTER'S DAUGHTER'S WILL OF 1838

TIES THE LAWYERS IN KNOTS

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Feb. 25. Ann Wrangle, a carpenter's daughter, made her will in 1838 (a year after Victoria became Queen, a year before Bloomsbury won the Derby in a showstorm) and the legal tangle she bequeathed has not been unravelled yet.

Now, 117 years after she died, lawyers all over the world are still involved in sorting out an ever more complicated problem: Who gets what from an estate that has grown to £100,000? It is 32 years since a Chancery judge was first faced with finding a solution to the key condition of her baffling will. In that time 560 possible heirs have been traced.

Many of the original claimants have died. Their deaths, instead of simplifying the issue, have added to the complications.

"It is," a solicitor said yesterday, "likely to be the longest case of its kind in legal history."

All those who will hopefully in 1959 are the descendants of John Wrangle, a carpenter in Boston, Lines, in the early nineteenth century, father of two sons and five daughters.

He died in 1837. A year later his daughter Ann will the income from her estate to 27 specified descendants of her father.

With this proviso: When the last of the 27 died the capital should go to all their heirs.

The Last One
The last of them was John Henry Chasmar, who died in America in 1927 (the year Lindbergh flew the Atlantic and Call Boy won the Derby). It was ruled then that "every descendant living at Mrs. Ann's death, or born between then and the time Mr Chasmar died, and their heirs, were entitled to a share in the fortune."

"That started the fun," one of the solicitors who then became involved said yesterday.

Since then—
Lawyers and inquiry agents have questioned hundreds of descendants and combed through family Bibles in all parts of the world; parish records and church registers throughout Britain have been searched and graveyards studied; Thousands of letters have been written; birth, marriage and death certificates of each known descendant have been produced to a court which has already sat 80 times.

His First Job
One man, now a solicitor in a Lancashire town, first worked on the claim of 45 people when he left school 26 years ago. "This was my first job when I came to the firm and I shall be lucky if I see the end of it," he said recently.

"We would find a descendant only to be told: 'I had a cousin who went to Australia in the middle of the century, but I haven't heard from him since.'"

Every new name brought other new names—and more searching of pedigrees, more yellowing documents tied with pink tape.

"All members of the family in England have been traced now," he added, "but the overseas search still goes on."

"One difficulty has been to prove what claimants who died were entitled to before passing it on to their descendants. Another has been that many became entitled to a share in their own right and still further shares from their predecessors."

'Ridiculous'

The Lancashire solicitor is acting for members of the family in Accrington, Blackburn, Liverpool, Great Harwood, Darwen, and Preston. There are others in Bournemouth, Boston, and London.

One of those who have waited through the years is 70-year-old Mr Sam Langtree of Blackburn. "My mother died before she got any money and now I have waited so long that I have written it off," he said.

"I have a bundle of letters from solicitors as thick as my arm. So have my sisters, brothers, and cousins." And he wondered: "Will we ever get any money? If they can't find all those in America why can't those in England be paid at least something?"

Said another, Mrs. Elsie Walsh: "It is ridiculous. I feel it is time I was paid something after all these years."

Bigger Fleet East Of Suez
London, Feb. 25. Mr. Duncan Sandys, Minister of Defence, said today that East of Suez, where naval forces could play a very important part, it was planned to maintain a larger fleet than at present.

He was speaking in a House of Commons debate on defence. —Reuter.

Dog Cancer

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 25. A study of cancer in dogs means now hope for humans suffering from the dread killer. Dr. Svend W. Nielson, a Danish veterinary pathologist working under an \$8,000 grant at Ohio State University, is trying to learn more about human cancer by studying malignant tissues in domestic animals.—U.P.I.

Koreans Protest

Tokyo, Feb. 25. Thousands of Korean residents of Japan staged rallies throughout the country today to oppose the Japanese Government's plan to repatriate Koreans to Communist North Korea.—U.P.I.

KING'S PRINCESS

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Jack Hawkins of "Bridge on the River Kwai"
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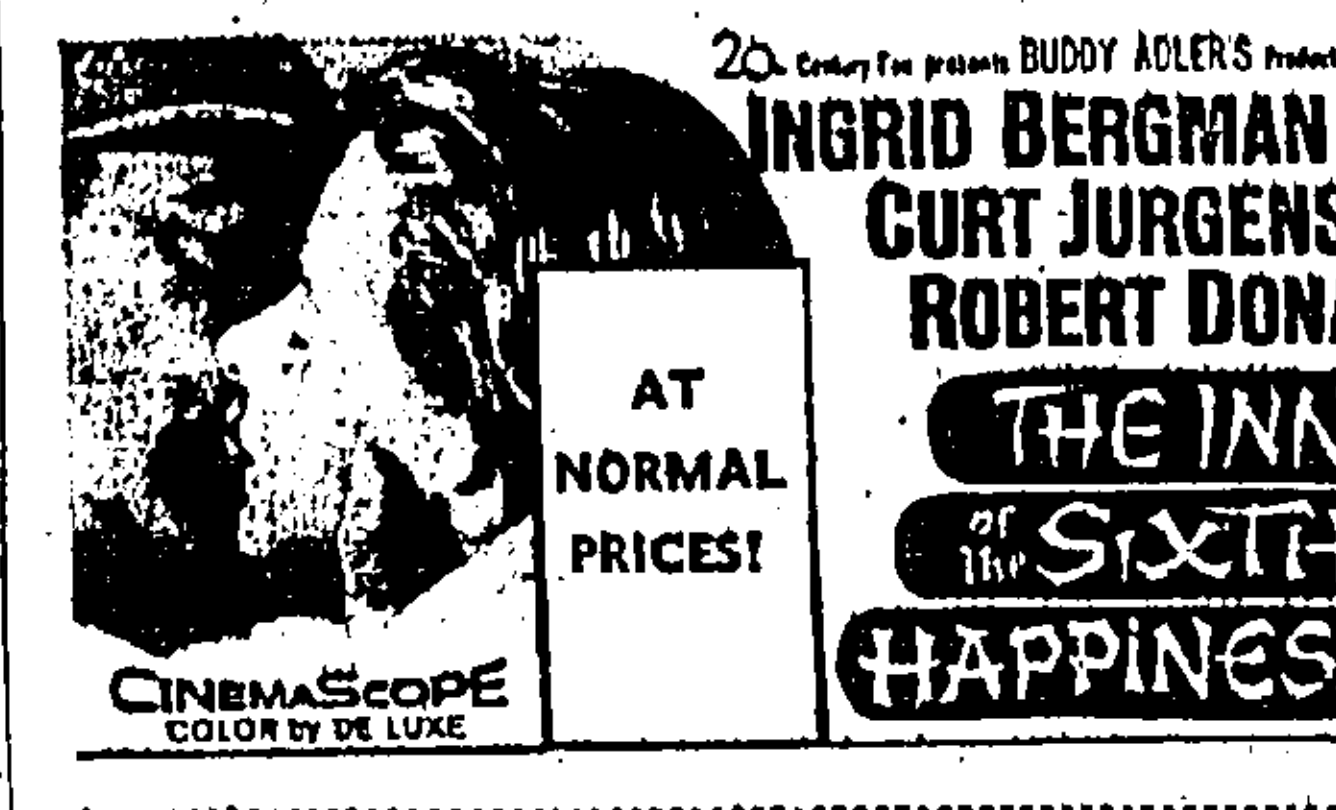
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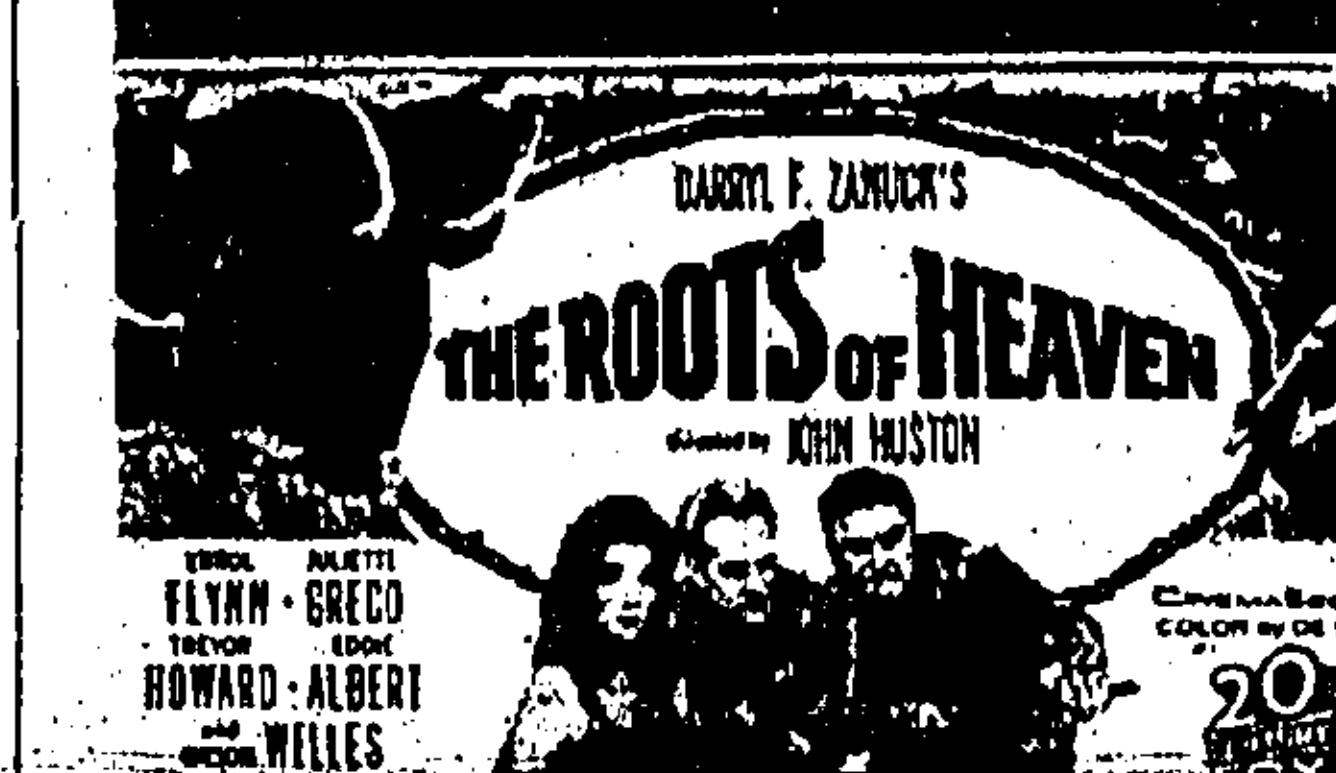
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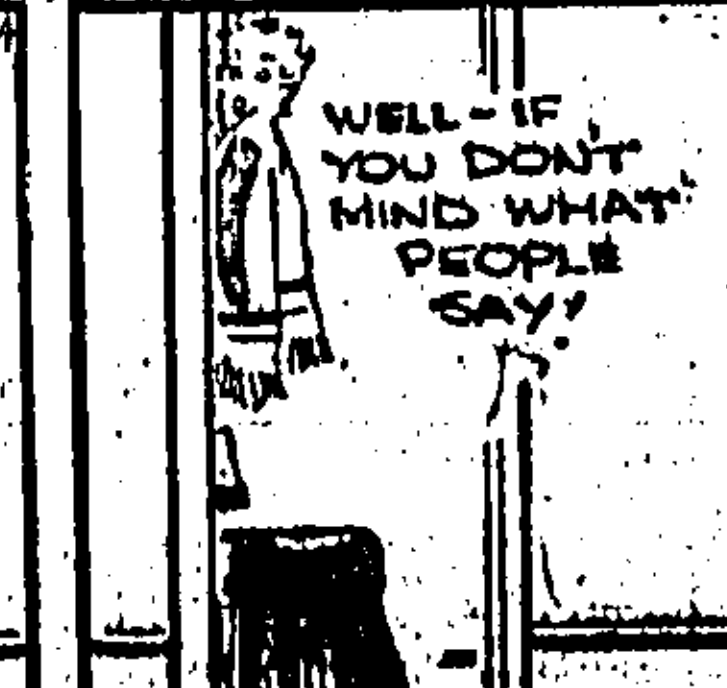


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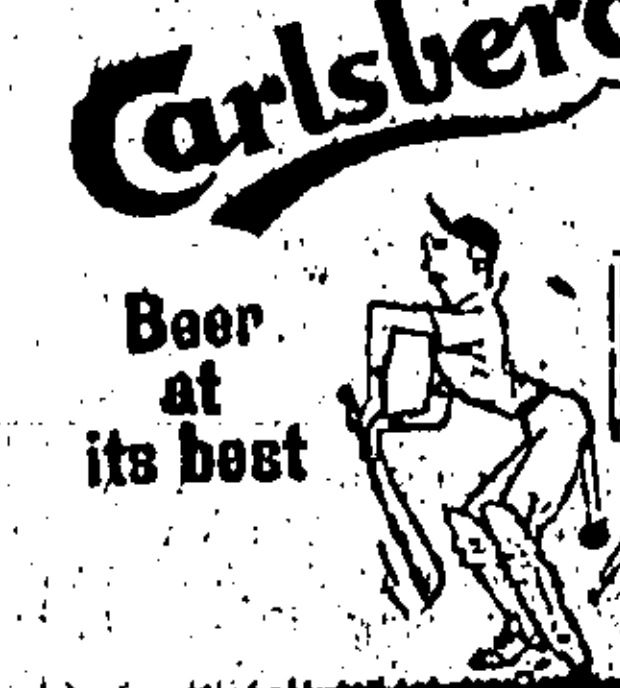
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AMERICAN SERVICE CHIEF SAYS:

RUSSIA FACES DESTRUCTION IF SHE ATTACKS U.S.

Washington, Feb. 25. Adm. Arleigh A. Burke, Chief of Naval Operations, said today that Russia could not attack the United States without "getting unacceptable damage in return."

Burke spoke for Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, at a Treasury Department conference of industrial leaders.

In a generalised comparison of American and Russian military power, he also said the U.S. has adequate ground forces in combination with other free world forces to deal with either limited or general wars.

Adm. Burke said intelligence estimates show Russia could produce more intercontinental ballistic missiles than the United States is planning in the 1959-62 period.

But, he added, comparing any single weapon type was not a proper measure of relative striking force.

Ability

He said the fact that Russia is capable of producing a given number of missiles "does not mean that they will definitely produce."

"It is not probable that Russia possesses the ability to destroy us, or to attack us, without receiving unacceptable damage in return, today or in the foreseeable future," he said.

Adm. Burke said Russia has an army of 2,500,000 men, well trained and modern equipped. Its navy has a large surface force and about 450 submarines.

Stages

Its air force has 10,000-15,000 tactical aircraft. She has ballistic missiles "in various stages of development...we do not know how many they do have."

The U.S. Army has 870,000 men in 14 divisions, 10 battle groups, 10 missile battalions, and 10 anti-aircraft missile battalions overseas and 63 at home.

The Navy has 864 ships, 7,200 aircraft and 175,000 marines.

The Air Force is reducing from 105 to 102 wings. But its B-52 bombers can carry 10,000-pound bomb loads to the "enemy heartlands."—U.P.I.

He Kicked Me In The Back—Veronica

New York, Feb. 25. Actress Veronica Lake, 39, had her husband arrested today on a charge of "kicking her in the back with his bare foot."

Police said Miss Lake, who became famous by wearing her long blonde hair over one eye in "peek-a-boo" fashion, called them about noon to pick up her husband, publisher Joseph McCarthy.

She also complained that he threatened to throw a telephone at her.

Terror

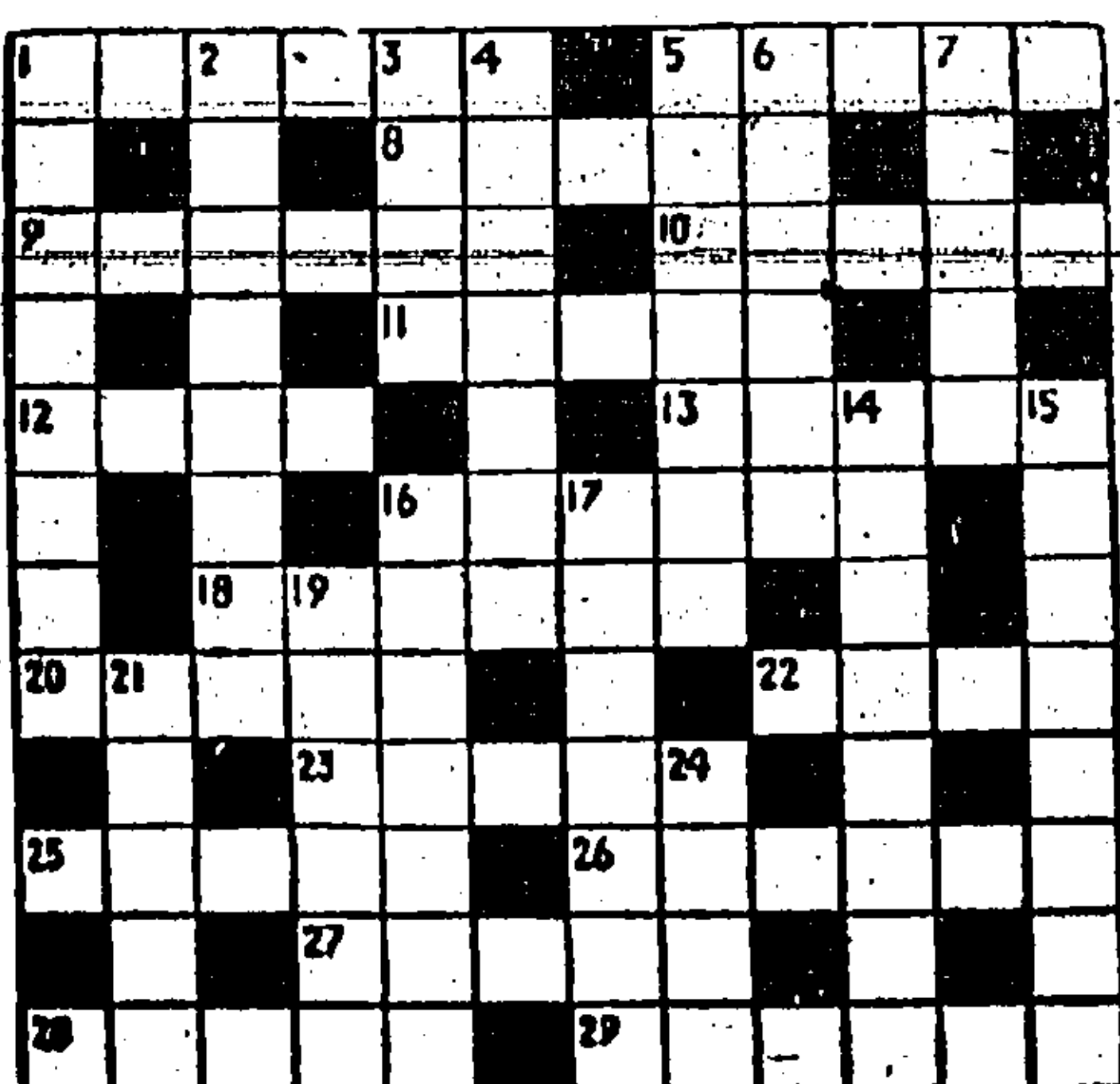
"She is in mortal terror of him," Miss Lake's attorney, Ira W. Bernum, told magistrate Walter Gladwin later in the day.

Mr. Gladwin McCarthy held on \$500 bail for a hearing on March 2.

The actress, who now wears her hair short, said she was going to see a doctor after the court hearing.

Miss Lake has a 17-year-old daughter, Elaine, who is described as a "carbon copy" of her famous mother, complete with shoulder length honey-blond hair. The girl is a model.—U.P.I.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Remains poised (6).
 - 6 Basal (5).
 - 8 Change (5).
 - 9 Cope (6).
 - 10 Polson (5).
 - 11 Stretched (5).
 - 12 Pay attention (4).
 - 13 Gets up (5).
 - 16 Quiet (6).
 - 18 Buried plant (6).
 - 20 Gem (5).
 - 22 Profound (4).
 - 23 Governor (5).
 - 25 Run away (5).
 - 26 Bad (6).
 - 27 Reposes (5).
 - 28 Festive (5).
 - 29 Famous porcelain (6).

- DOWN
- 1 Domestic assistant (4, 4).
 - 2 Feud (6).
 - 3 Tatters (4).
 - 4 Parts of garments (7).
 - 5 More than one (7).
 - 6 Believe (6).
 - 7 Animal (5).
 - 14 One who chooses (6).
 - 15 Hongs (5).
 - 16 Greets ceremoniously (7).
 - 17 Abandons (7).
 - 18 Miscalculations (6).
 - 21 Surpass (5).
 - 24 Flower (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Farm, 7 Hovel, 8 Avid, 9 Spar, 10 Agitate, 12 Sped, 15 Irons, 18 Slip, 19 Trend, 21 Crises, 22 Fool, 23 Earls, 25 Dyes, 26 Meetings, 30 Taut, 31 True, 32 Fraud, 33 Whet. Down: 1 Gorge, 2 Ferile, 4 Aspen, 5 Mars, 6 Dire, 9 Stop, 11 Arise, 12 Peel, 14 Dude, 16 Stale, 17 Acid, 18 Sire, 20 Rosters, 22 Fret, 24 Amuse, 25 Indus, 27 Yarn, 28 Stew.

Troops Halt Riot In Africa

Mogadishu, Somaliland, Feb. 25.

Italian trained native police arrested pro-Nasser leaders today following a bombing attack and dispersed mobs, trying to loot native shops.

A high Somali police officer was stabbed in the stomach during a raid on the headquarters of the Great Somali League, a political party blamed with stirring the unrest.

No fatalities were reported. The incidents came at a critical time in the life of this East African nation, due for independence by the end of next year.

Elections

The first elections in Somaliland's history are due in the next few days under the supervision of Italy, which rules the territory under an United Nations trusteeship mandate.

The Great Somali League, a one-year-old party looking for inspiration to United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser, refused to participate in the elections charging irregularities in the presentation of candidates lists.

The league appealed to the United Nations to postpone the elections and hold them under U.N. supervision.—U.P.I.

HOPE FOR THE BLIND

London, Feb. 26.

A new deep-freeze storage method may solve the shortage in Britain of eyes bequeathed for corneal grafting, an eye surgeon said here today.

Mr. B. W. Rycroft, one of Britain's foremost specialists in corneal grafting, was writing in the weekly review Family Doctor.

He said there were still not enough eyes available for all the blind people who needed them.

With present methods of storage a week was the longest period for which an eye could be safely preserved for a graft.

Deep-freeze was a new storage method being tried. If it proved entirely successful it would solve the shortage and a graft would always be available for any blind person whenever required, Mr. Rycroft wrote. —China Mail Special.

"Moon Not From Earth"

London, Feb. 25. A Soviet astronomer disputed today the widely held theory that the moon is a dead body torn from the crust of the earth in some cataclysmic event of the very remote past.

In a personal communication to British astronomer (Moon expert) Patrick Moore, the Russian astronomer, Nikolai Kozlov, made clear that he thinks it quite possible the earth and moon had different origins.

He is convinced that he will named a veritable stupor actually in progress on the supposed cold and dead heavenly body.



MECHANICAL BRAIN LANGUAGE WILL BOOST INDUSTRY

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 25. Top Air Force and science leaders today announced the development of a mechanical brain language which they claim is a tremendous break-through in America's electronic superiority over Russia.

The language of 107 words will enable mechanical brains to supervise other electronic machines producing such items as aeroplane and missile parts in record time, the officials said.

Lt. Gen. Clarence S. Irvine, Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for material, told a news conference the development is "perfectly wonderful."

Use of the system, called Automatically Programmed Tool (APT), will enable the United States to "build a war machine that nobody would want to tackle," the General said.

He added APT will also enable better aeroplanes and space missiles to be built at no increase in cost, and probably at great savings.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology researcher Jerome Wenker, who helped develop APT, said visiting Russian technicians had only recently wrongly "looked down their noses" at American electronic brain developments. "But now I believe we are far ahead of Russians," he said.

"Genius"

APT is the brain child of teamwork by MIT, the Air Force and the Aircraft Industries Association.

Its chief developer, MIT researcher Douglas T. Ross, 29, was hailed as a genius by fellow scientists at top-rated MIT.

In brief, APT allows a master electronic brain to design and supervise other machines producing. Before APT, technicians had to spend hundreds of hours planning even the simplest work for an automatic machine.

APT will do away with the services of many technicians and machinists. However, Irvine and aircraft company spokesmen said APT will create other work for people whose jobs will be done by the giant electronic brains.

Simple Words

Ross produced the language by simplifying English words. In APT talk, "right" means right and "left" means left, "kull" means coolant.

Ross demonstrated how the language is used by a technician to enable an electronic brain to understand what man wants machine to do.

The brain takes the simple directions and, in its fantastic way, figures out in a few seconds how another brain will do the work.

Ross flicked a switch and, in a few seconds, the master brain planned and another machine produced an arbitrary. However, APT will be used by industry to produce such complex items as rocket bodies and aeroplane engine parts.

U.S. Moon Rocket Attempt Saturday

Washington, Feb. 25. The United States Army will make a new attempt to send a rocket to the moon from the Cape Canaveral launching base on Saturday.

The Air Force today postponed the launching of a Discoverer rocket destined to pass over both poles from the Vandenberg California base. The launching is now due to take place tomorrow.

The first captive flight of the experimental X-15 rocket plane will be made on Thursday. The term captive means the plane, which cannot take off from the ground under its own power, will make its flight attached to a B-52 bomber.

Meanwhile, the newspaper Space Business Daily said that Army scientists would try to send the moon rocket within 20,000 miles of the moon. Like the Soviet cosmic rocket, the U.S. rocket would continue into space and become a satellite of the sun.—France-Press.

Titan Launched

A "Titan" intercontinental ballistic missile was launched from the Cape Canaveral rocket testing site at 1045 GMT today. The test of the rocket, which has a theoretical range of more than 5,000 miles, was limited to a range of 300 miles.—France-Press.

Another Boy For Princess

Now living happily in Mexico City with the husband she shocked the world by marrying two years ago when she was 15, is Princess Iria Hohenlohe. Recently Iria's 18-year-old contentment was further increased by the birth of a second son, Hubertus, a new brother for two-year-old Christopher.

Both are named after the patron saints of Prince Alfonso's favourite sports—motor-racing and hunting.

Picture shows the new family group—Princess Iria, baby Hubertus, Prince Alfonso, and Christopher.—Express Photo.

Strike Stops Duchess

Lima, Feb. 25. A threatened railway strike by employees of a British-owned railway company today prevented the Duchess of Kent and Princess Alexandra from visiting the ancient Inca capital at Cuzco.

The Duchess of Kent is the Queen's aunt.

The British Embassy here said: "The journey to Cuzco has been postponed. It is hoped that the railway journey may still be undertaken without the danger, which exists at present, of its being interfered with by the strike."—Reuter.

Britons Hear Abdication Speech Again

London, Feb. 25. Britons tonight heard a special rebroadcast of the historic 1936 speech by the Duke of Windsor in which he told the world he was giving up the throne "for the woman I love."

The dramatic words of the Duke, then Prince Edward, were broadcast on a programme called "Scrapbook for 1936." The Queen gave the British Broadcasting Corporation permission to rebroadcast the speech.

Crisis

It was December 11, 1936. King Edward VIII, now the Duke of Windsor, had just abdicated the throne to marry Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson of Baltimore.

Crisis gripped Britain. Sir John Dill, then Director-General of the BBC, said: "This is Windsor Castle—His Royal Highness Prince Edward."

Then the ex-king delivered his famous seven-minute farewell address. "I have found it impossible," he said, "to carry the heavy burden of responsibility and to discharge my duties as king, the way I would wish to do, without the help and support of the woman I love."—U.P.I.

Campaign Against "Pin-Ups"

London, Feb. 26. Parents were advised today to ensure that their children were given proper sex instruction "to knock the bottom out" of sexy advertisements and "pin-up" magazines.

Dr. Roger Pilkington, an expert on adolescence, attacked sex in advertising in an article in the weekly medical journal, Family Doctor.

He said sexy advertisements could foster "a sadly warped attitude of men towards women, of girls towards themselves and especially of boys towards girls."

"Wondrous Shapes"

Dr. Pilkington criticised advertisements which showed "smooth, tapering legs, and busts of wondrous shapes unknown to nature" and films, cheap novels and pin-ups based "on the idea of showing a girl almost in the nude."—China Mail Special.

Hollywood Divorce Scorecard Published

New York, Feb. 25. A scorecard detailing the major Hollywood divorces over the last 25 years was published today, giving the names and numbers of all the "players."

In an article on "The Divorce of Hollywood," McCall's magazine gave names, dates and reasons for divorces.

The chart went all the way back to 1934, when Jean Harlow divorced her husband because he "liked to read in bed."

Here are some of the other reasons listed for divorce in the McCall roundup of 230 marital collapses:

1937 — Lana Turner charged Max Barker that he forcibly fed her Sunday breakfast.

1936 — Jayne Mansfield quoted her first husband, Paul Mansfield: "He said I should have been a scrubwoman, not an actress."

1934 — Zsa Zsa Gabor divorced actor George Sanders because "he said I spoiled his fun." — U.P.I.

Agreement On Pact

Karachi, Feb. 25. An American Embassy spokesman said tonight that agreement had been reached in principle on the proposed bilateral military pact between Pakistan and the United States.

Negotiations on some minor details were going on through normal diplomatic channels, the spokesman added.—Reuter.



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Balmain Bites The Ladies

From
LOGAN GOURLAY

ESTORIL.
I WAS there and I saw how a leading Parisian couturier like Pierre Balmain can alter the appearance of woman. He used only his teeth.

It is as the fashion writers would say, he left the dramatic and unmistakable mark of Balmain.

In unchic language, Balmain bit two chic ladies.

It was the last ball of the season, a carnival which has convulsed society Estoril all these weeks. The organisers called it the pink ball, but it may be known for ever after as the black and blue ball.

The orchestra was playing "Kiss Your Hand, Madame." Which was altogether too tame for Balmain, most ebullient spirit of the carnival.

With a loud whoop he leaped across the table, seized the hand of pretty, actress Nadia Gray. Joyfully he bit her slim arm. She squealed like a puppy—and retired to the ladies' room.

A mark

Half an hour later Balmain the Bold was dancing with Mrs John Spencer Churchill, wife of Sir Winston's artist nephew.

The Balmain hand, shoved in Yul Brynner style, bobbed up and down in cha-cha rhythm.

Without breaking the rhythm he bowed on the half-beat.

Just as he bit Mrs Churchill on her smooth exposed shoulder. She squealed but danced bravely on as though she were a lioness.

After the ball was over the bitten ladies spoke out. Said Nadia Gray, who has played a variety of roles in Continental films: "I can't say I enjoy being bitten. It was very pain-

ROUND

UP

A-Jousting They Will Go

LOUGHTON, Essex. Round Table has thrown down the gauntlet to all other Tables in their Area. Round Tables have been invited to an evening of jousting and revelry in the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Chingford, soon. But there is one proviso—everyone must wear costume of the period covering King Arthur to Robin Hood. There will be pole-fighting, archery, and beer drinking competitions; also a tourney for the ladies. The most successful Table will be presented with a shield.

Astrolabe On Show

THE 500-year-old forerunner of the radio-telescope and other modern scientific aids for studying the stars is being placed on exhibition at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich. It is a small brass astrolabe made in 1462 by Johannes Muller of Koenigsberg. The astrolabe is a circular star map that can be rotated so as to calculate the positions of the sun and the stars at any time of day or night. It can also be used for simple observations. The style of the instrument and its special arrangement of star pointers was copied by later workers.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



"One does hope that Balmain's not started a craze—just think of the embarrassment of going to the Pasteur Institute and saying: 'Quick, I've been bitten by Norman Hartnell!'"

London-Express-Service

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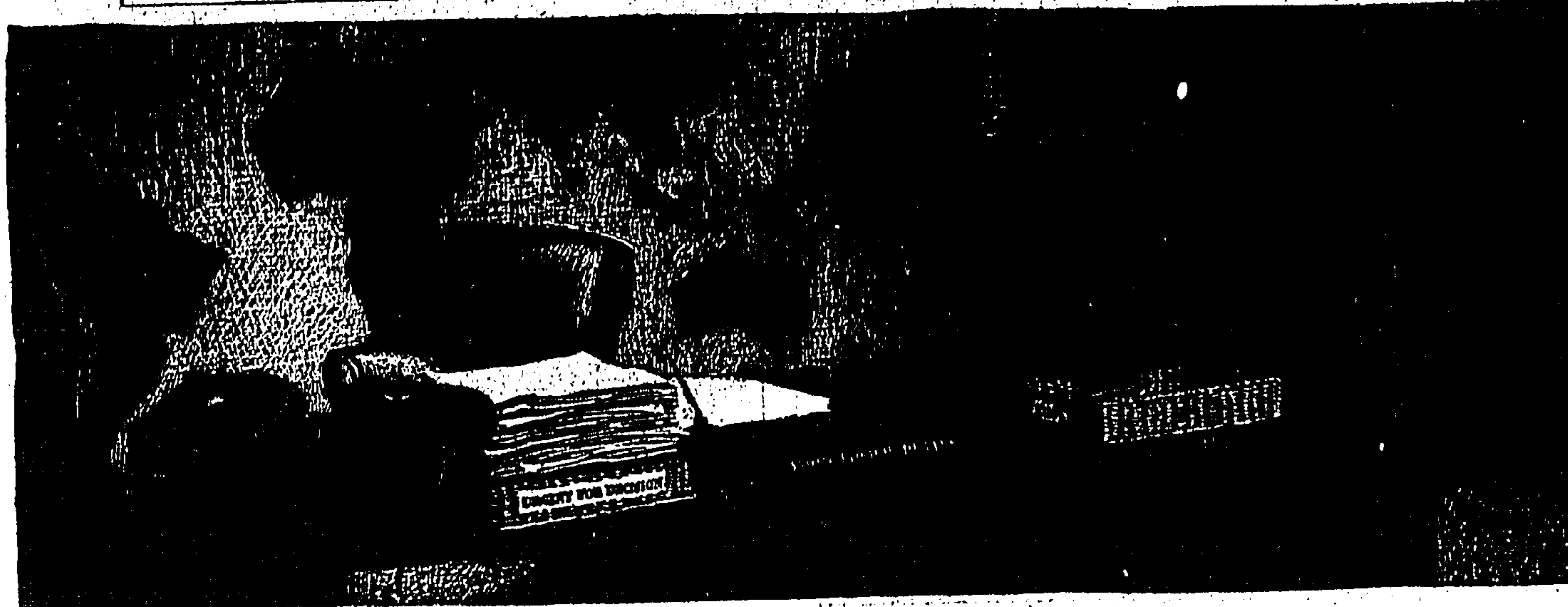
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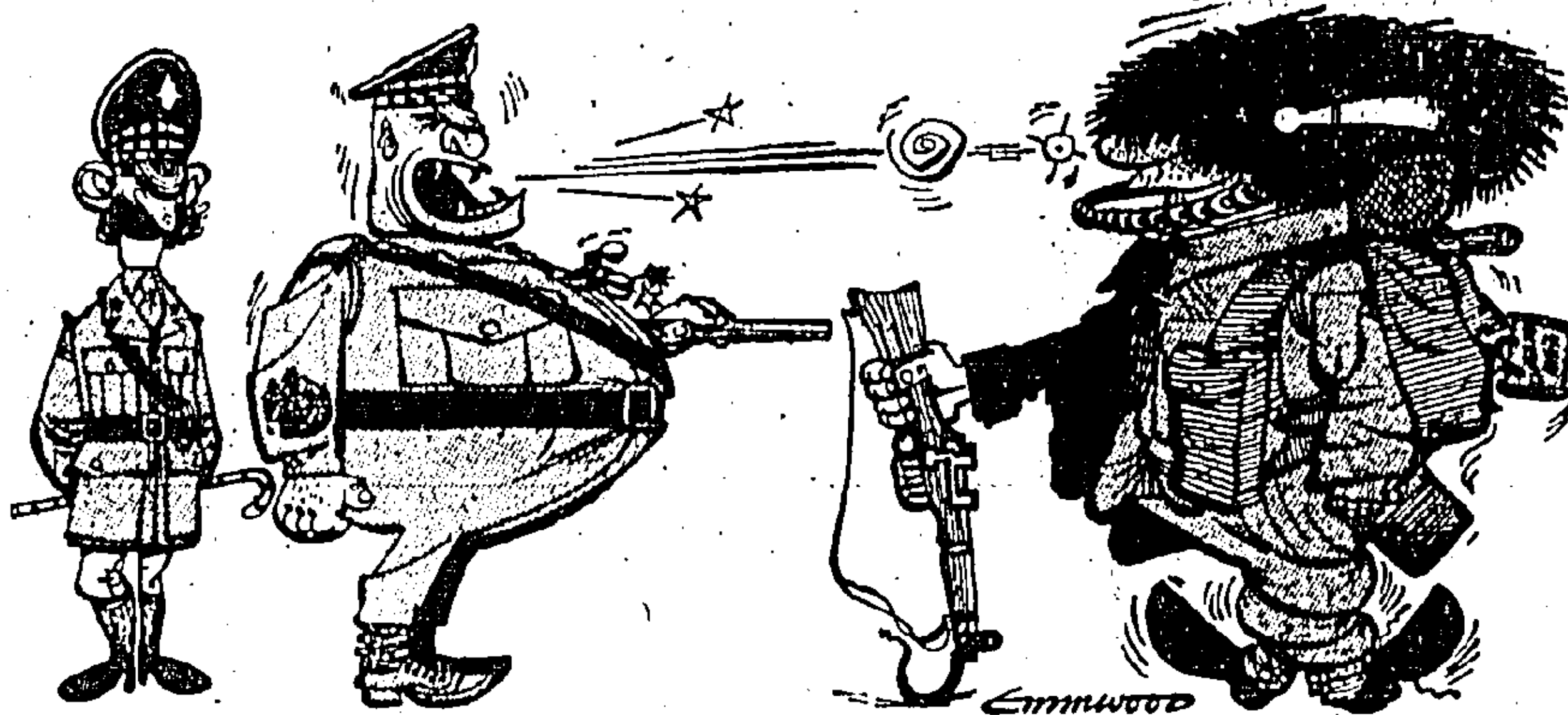
by Illingworth



Who? Why? When? Where?...How much? How many? How long?...It is? It isn't?
It can't be? It could be?...They have to answer but you can do it for fun

The ARMY GAME and YOU!

THOUSANDS OF YOU TANGLED WITH IT



DO YOU GET A SINKING FEELING IN THE STOMACH?

by **RICHARD CAREY**

was born on December 23, 1695. In the year 1630 Christmas was on a Friday. On what day of the week did Brown's birthday fall in that year?

A man writing on January 1, 1922, said: My sister, who was born on November 1888, twenty-five years old next month. On what day of the week did she die on November 13, 1869, thirty-three years old next month?

10. The tank is a most important weapon in Modern Warfare because—
(a) The Germans have built thousands of them.
(b) Soldiers feel safer in them.
(c) It gives an army greater mobility and striking power.
(d) It has a low petrol consumption.
(e) It has a low petrol consumption.

11. Find, in each set of five given on the right, two letters or numbers that suitably continue the series indicated on the left:
(a) 30, 50, 70, 90, 100, 120, 130, 140, 110.
(b) Z, A, Y, B, Z, Y, X, C, D.
(c) 1/4, 1/2, 3/4, 1, 2, 3, 1 1/2, 1 3/4, 1 1/2.
(d) Words in each sentence below are mixed up. Think how the sentence would read if the words were arranged in the proper order. Then say whether the meaning of the sentence is true, false, or unknown:
(a) a inquest coroner's at held is as such an inquiry demand to low by supposed deaths are sudden.
(b) some some some some all at nothing people pipes cigars cigarettes smoke.
(c) bombs explosive revolvers all swords are gunpowder and.
(d) there if doctors hospitals no or were die would more far-people young.

TRY IT

I ONLY asked. All I wanted was the answer to one simple question: Is the Army too tough on the young men it calls up for National Service?

I was only trying to point out that more than one in four of the young men called up for service were being rejected as unfit.

Then recently I produced some of the Army intelligence and psychological tests—and within twenty-four hours I had well over 3,000 letters.

So I have spent another week among the Army's schoolmasters, going through a new sheet of tests.

Through the "Personal Questionnaires" with demanding problems such as: Do you feel exceptionally dull and stupid?

Do people in general get on your nerves?
Do you frequently get a sinking feeling in the stomach?

(Army Form-MPQ.3). I have "worked" through a deluge of "intelligence papers." And to help you once again to discover the newest and least known Army Game of them all, I present in response to public demand, another set of khaki questions.

FATHER

The newest recruits have to answer them. What about you?

1. I am twice as old now as I was three years before my 21st birthday. My father is 26 years older than I am.
(a) How old was my father when I was born?
(b) How old is my father now?
(c) In how many years' time will his age be three times the difference between us?

2. Map-cases are issued to officers and not to privates because—
(a) Privates would get the map dirty.
(b) Officers usually ride in motor-cars, and privates don't.
(c) Privates have too much equipment already.
(d) Officers are less likely to lose them.
(e) Privates don't have to plan actions.

MURDER

3. The murdered man made the following statement just before his death:

"I heard the clock strike yesterday, a quarter of an hour before the first shot was fired. I was too occupied to count the strokes of the clock bell, but from the rhythm, I am sure it must have been an even number. I had been out of doors for 15 hours continuously since the preceding midnight and had not long returned." The man's clock had stopped at five to six that same

evening; when do you think the first shot was fired?
(a) about 4 o'clock;
(b) quarter to four;
(c) 4.15 p.m.;
(d) 6.15 p.m.;
(e) 5 p.m.;
(f) quarter-past four in the morning;
(g) impossible to say without further details.

4. Put a line under the smallest thing in the list—
(a) Pineapple, apple, orange, strawberry, lemon.
(b) Infant, man, adult, youth, maiden.
(c) Crows, dozen, several, many, couple.
(d) 1469, 7301, 4009, 1852, 1049.

5. All the trains from this platform stop first at Aytun; but after that some go to Beaton and Seaton; and others branch off to Deaton and Eston.

There are no other stations. The fare to Eaton or Seaton is 1s.; elsewhere 6d. Brown had a 6d. ticket, and although in a hurry did not get in the first train, which was going towards Eaton. Where do you think he was travelling to?

(a) Aytun; (b) Beaton; (c) Seaton; (d) Deaton; (e) Eaton; (f) Either Aytun or Beaton; (g) Either Beaton or Deaton; (h) It is impossible to say without further details.

6. A Lieut-General is more important than a Lieut-Colonel because—
(a) He has been in the Army much longer.
(b) He has much greater responsibilities.
(c) He is always a member of the Army Council.
(d) He only deals with the actual fighting.
(e) He gained experience in the last world war.

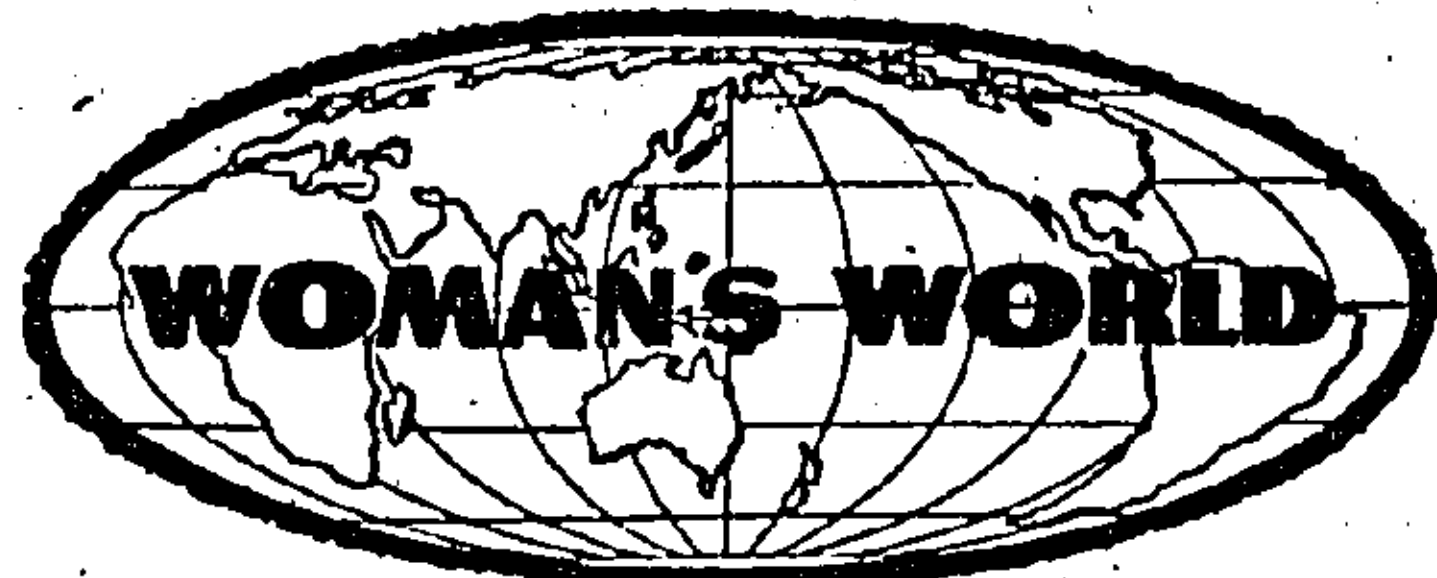
7. Whenever you see a dot there is a letter or number mixed out.
(a) Submarine 123456789, number 224390; name
(b) Steam water.
(c) Tops, spot, pots.
(d) 2 5, 8 10, 4 17, 5
(e) Kenneth Digby was five days younger than Sir Thomas Browne; and Digby

NAVAL ESTIMATES... BY JAK



"He's a comey, weaving his way with shattering accuracy towards the target. No wonder they call 'in the cessing.'" London-Express-Service.

WOMANSENSE



British Girls Win Cupid Stakes In U.S.A.

Proving once again that air hostesses are the most marriageable girls in the world, no less than six of the ten British girls chosen by an American Airline in London, less than a year ago from more than a thousand applicants have now become either married or engaged. The girls were selected for the coveted flying jobs on internal routes in the U.S.A. by the British air girl in the States to announce her intention of swapping the air for the aisle is 23-year-old Sylvia Biggs of Cardiff, who has just become engaged. Sylvia has only been flying since May last year.

First of the British air girls to wed was attractive, blonde

Shirley Malkin of Croydon, who married last year after only a brief spell of flying duties.

A spokesman for the airline said in London recently: "Each year about a third of our thirteen hundred American girls leave to marry, but it looks as though the British girls are stepping up the pace. They must be having a dynamic effect on American males to be snapped up so quickly."

The official went on to point out that these are the only British girls flying on internal air routes in the United States. "We knew they were popular but we had hoped to keep them a little longer," he commented ruefully.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

BORN today, you probably will show exceptional talent in one of the arts or sciences, for you have an original and inquiring mind and are not satisfied with things as they are and would like to have a share in making them better. You have a keen understanding of human nature and can analyse a person's motivations accurately. You undoubtedly will be happiest in a country atmosphere, since you dislike the rush and hurry of urban life.

You are happiest when you are your own boss. You would never be completely happy in a routine desk job and it is better that you do not try to adjust to one, if pushed into it.

Assert yourself at once and get out. There is a deeply spiritual side to your nature which calls for expression. You are intuitive and are not to be taken in by the surface. You are far better than postponing action, since your first impression is likely to be accurate. Listen to suggestions, if you must, but then act solely on your own judgment. Your love of nature is strong and you are demonstrative in showing affection. You want the one you love to be of a similar temperament. While you cannot be persuaded, you can be encouraged by the one you love. You should do your best work under the influence of praise.

Among those born on this day are: Herbert Henry Dow, chemist and manufacturer; Joseph Le Conte, geologist; Daniel F. Finerman, astronomer; Victor Hugo, author; William F. Cody, known as Buffalo Bill.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your horoscope from the following zodiacal paragraphs. Turn your birthday star by your daily guide.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

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An English Refugee From China

PEOPLE I MEET

by JOANNE BLAIR

THE plain, white-washed two-storeyed school house sits almost unnoticed on a small plot of land in Kai Tak. On one side runs a nullah which, in the rainy season, often floods the playground. On the other three sides a sturdy wire fence encloses the 3,000-square-foot property line.

Within these narrow confines 20 teachers give instruction to 335 children in morning, afternoon and evening sessions. The children, most of whom are products of refugee homes, range in age from 5 to 18.

Presiding over this school is Mrs. Elsie Elliott, a fair-haired, blue-eyed English woman whose already difficult task is made even more complicated inasmuch as she is obliged to hold down a full-time job in order to put about 90% of her earnings back into the school. As a private institution giving advanced education, the Mu Kung School is not eligible for Government support.

Mrs. Elliott, who is a graduate of Durham University, began her present career almost by accident when, in 1951 as a refugee herself from China, she was asked by a group of Chinese Christians to teach their children.

"It was something I had never thought of doing," she laughs in her cheerful manner, "but I could see the urgent need for education so I got busy."

ONE TENT

A short while later with one tent and 30 pupils, Mrs. Elliott set about teaching her young charges during the day and devoted her evenings to private pupils in order to pay the expenses.

At that time she was earning approximately \$500 a month, \$440 of which was sunk back into the school.

"Yes, it was tough," she admits, "but the need always seemed to outweigh the drawbacks, so I kept on."

However, as more and more parents sought to place their children in the school, Mrs. Elliott had to increase her income until eventually she took on a full-time position while she still holds today.

Now teaching English and advanced literature at the Baptist College 16 hours a week, she somehow finds time in between marking innumerable papers, to supervise and teach at her own school.

BRIGHT FACES

From time to time people help out. One particularly generous instance was when a Hongkong businessman donated money for a second-storey building to the school. Others send used clothes which are carefully distributed amongst the most needy families. But still, more

children need education and more money must be found.

At present Mrs. Elliott is putting nearly all her salary into the school. For so poor are these youngsters that of the few who can pay, only \$18 per month is all she feels she can demand for the English-speaking morning class, \$8 for the Chinese afternoon class and a mere \$2 per month is the tuition asked for the evening session. The rest of the money must come from her pocket and from outside donors.

We walked through the rain-drenched playground and into the school building. Eager, bright faces greeted us and displayed a warm willingness to show their accomplishments.

Happy, intelligent children who came to school in freshly washed clothes but who return home to change into rags and sleep under a damp, cold grocery stall, are Mrs. Elliott's inner reward for years of privation and struggle.

"I really don't know how I'm going to do it," she added, "but a promise is a promise and it will be kept."

EILEEN ASCROFT reports on a battle many women are fighting

THIS WAY I LOST 1½ INCHES OFF MY WAIST

GIRLS with pretty, slim waists are going to be happy about the new belted dresses and suits.

But what about the unlucky ones who emerge from their loose-line frocks to discover they have added a few inches while it didn't show?

Slender waistlines can be regained three ways: by hard work, cheating, or by a

combination of exercise and fun.

Hard work means dieting, cutting down on liquids, stretches, sugars and alcohol. Easier and quicker if combined with slimming baths and massage.

Cheating is for the lady who wants quick results. She just walks into a shop and buys herself a waist-whittler. Most effective of these are the long bras that cinch in the waist or the belts with built-up controlling wristbands.

Third way is by exercise. This is my personal choice and I have found a gay companion to assist the good work.

It's a strange-looking toy with two long arms, which swivel on ball bearings and can be used against any wall. Invented by a Spanish army physical training instructor.

Two or three minutes a day is already melting off the inches and waking up muscles that I never knew existed.

Used the right way, it exercises every part of your body. Used the wrong way it just tips you on to the floor. My progress report to date: five minutes daily for four days... 1½ inches off the waist!

Very New

HERE'S some of the summer fashion excitement you will soon find in the shops...

Sandals of leather with touches of gold; sandals thonged between the toes, and soft-as-gloves town shoes in kid mesh in cream, white or lilac.

Lean tapered pants in soft muted leathers and all the colours of spring.

Male Peacocks

It seems that many male peacocks are flying out of the



Two or three minutes a day... and I find muscles I never knew existed.

Who are the best-dressed sections of our male community? According to the federation, first come the politicians, then the bankers, with lawyers would have hooted with derisive mirth.

Not so today. He would jolly well use it and go back to buy himself some more.

Figures do not lie. Men are now spending 260,000 a month in England on toilet preparations. And it is not just the city slickers who like to go round smelling nice.

Even the National Coal Board pit-head showers are now stocking deodorants and report their increasing use. And as a nation we still use more hair oil per head than any country in the world!

Now the menfolk are to have their own annual list of the 10 best-dressed men in Britain. Organised by the Wholesale Clothing Manufacturers' Federation.

To record pools winner, Belfast ganger James Gault, his £300,000 windfall meant a new suit of clothes and a luxury air trip to New Zealand over the North Pole.

What Is Luxury?

WHAT does luxury mean to you? If you suddenly found yourself able to spend money freely what would give you the greatest "kick"?

To young playwright 20-year-old Shelagh Delaney ("A Taste of Honey"), overnight success means "a holiday in Paris, a bottle of orange curacao and a big, fast, comfortable, vulgar car."

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Merlin Solves A Problem

—The Telephone Works Like Magic—

By MAX TRELL

EVERYONE in the house was upset because the telephone had gone out of order.

"Something must be stuck in the wires," Knarf, the Shadow Boy, said to Teddy, the Stuffed Bear.

General "N" "N" "N" his head and shook his head.

"The wires have gotten entangled. That's the trouble," he said. "We must get them out there on the poles, and the wind blowing! They're all tangled up!"

Wire Trouble

But Mr. Punch said: "No, the real trouble is that the wires are all stuffed up with words. Somebody will have to go through the wires with a broom and sweep them out!"

At this, Knarf, the Shadow Girl, cried out that nobody could make himself small enough to crawl into the wires with a broom.

"That's just silly!" she said. "At that very moment who should turn up but Mr. Merlin, the Magnificent Magician."

To everyone's surprise, he was dressed in a pair of old overalls. He carried a broom over his shoulders.

Good Question

"Now what's this about the telephone being out of order?" he asked.

"It is," said Knarf to Mr. Merlin. "What are you going to do?"

"I'm going to sweep it out," said Mr. Merlin. "It's stuffed full of words."

"There!" shouted Mr. Punch. "I told you so!"

Too Tall

Everyone wanted to know how Mr. Merlin, who was rather a tall man, could possibly hope to squeeze himself inside the telephone wires.

"Don't worry about that," Mr. Merlin said. "I'm not a Magnificent Magician for nothing. But I'll be needing an assistant. Who of you wants to come with me?"

"I want to!" cried Mr. Punch. "I want to!"

So Knarf and Mr. Merlin walked up to the broken telephone, right up to the mouthpiece.

Then, when everyone wondered how they were going to squeeze into the wires, Mr. Merlin did a remarkable thing. He snapped his fingers, touched Knarf on the end of the nose, and instantly, Knarf shrank to the size of a mouse. He disappeared inside the telephone.

An instant later, Mr. Merlin snapped his fingers again, touched himself on the edge of his nose, shrank to the size of a fly and likewise disappeared inside the telephone.

Knarf found himself inside a long hallway that seemed to stretch on for miles and miles. Mr. Merlin gave him a white broom which he took out of his pocket.

Then they hurried down the line.

All Stuffed Up

"Do you know where we are now, Knarf?" Mr. Merlin asked. "We're right over the middle of the street behind our house between two telephone poles!"

"Look," said Knarf, pointing ahead, "where all those hall-

ways meet. It's all stuffed up." Knarf and Mr. Merlin worked for an hour, sweeping and whisking the wire-hallways clean. They were stuffed up with words like "Hello" and "Goodbye" and "How are you?" and "Thank you for calling!"

From then on, the telephone worked fine again.

Rupert and the Secret Boat—41

After a few swerves and wobbles the little boat set to a straight course and works up a great speed. "Hold tight," Rupert calls. "This is just like our first journey, but where are we going now?"

"Where? This is faster than ever my Mum could swim!" cries the

young seaman. And, indeed, the older one cannot keep up with them, try as it will, and the tiny craft skims through a storm until it is out of sight. Hours later, they reach calm water, under a bright sky. "Hi, Gregory, look where we are!" shouts Rupert.

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What do you do?

A—Bid four hearts. There is no point giving any information about your club suit.

TODAY'S QUESTION
West bids four spades and your partner and East pass. What do you do now?

Answer: Tomorrow

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Our grandmothers had it pretty soft—they didn't have to walk miles through a supermarket to buy their groceries!"

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB 9TH (ANNUAL) RACE MEETING

Saturday 28th February, Wednesday 4th and
Saturday 14th March, 1959
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 30 RACES.
There will be 11 races on each of the 1st and 2nd days and 8 races on the 3rd day.

The first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race run at 12.00 Noon on the 1st and 2nd days. On the 3rd day the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race run at 2.00 p.m.

The 10th interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.) on the 1st and 2nd days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. on the 1st and 2nd days and at 11.45 a.m. on the 3rd day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable prior to the Meeting from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, D'Aguiar Street and Nathan Road, Kowloon, only on the written introduction of a Member, and on production of his Guest Record Card. Members are limited to 8 guests each Race Day, and will be responsible for all guests introduced by them.

GUEST BADGES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE RACE COURSE ON RACE DAYS.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members, and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

The Third day of the Meeting previously advertised for Saturday 14th March has been postponed to Saturday 14th March, and all Cash Sweep tickets dated 7th March 1959 will be valid for the Meeting on 14th March, 1959.

Although Through Tickets cannot normally be purchased for each day of a Meeting unless there is an interval of at least five days between each day an exception is being made for the Annual Race Meeting. Through Cash Sweep tickets, therefore, at \$22 each per day for the 1st and 2nd days and \$10 for the 3rd day, or \$60 for the three days of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguiar Street during normal office hours and until 10.00 a.m. on each day of the Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 27th February, 1959, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each and tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby scheduled to be run on 2nd May, 1959, at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at:—

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Saturday 21st February . . . 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Saturday 28th February and Wednesday 4th March . . . 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Saturday 14th March . . . 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong and 362 Nathan Road, Kowloon on:—

Week-days, Mondays to Fridays . . . 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday 21st February . . . 9 a.m. to 11.45 a.m.

Saturday 14th March . . . 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

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Hong Kong, 21st February, 1959.

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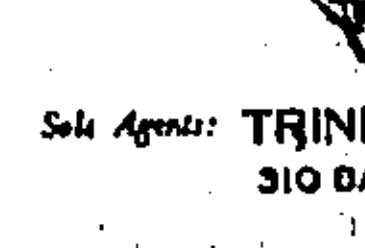
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Shot Dead For Slapping A Woman

Chicago, Feb. 25.
Bobby Boyd, who meets Spider Webb over a scheduled 10 round non-title "middleweight bout here tonight, lost his trainer, Cedric Harvey, in a gun fight here last night.

The police arrested a man called Thurman Brooks, who admitted that he had shot Harvey dead after the boxing trainer had stopped Brooks' wife, Franco-Prose.

Italian Bridge World Champions Upset By W. Americans

Santa Monica, Feb. 25.
An American Western All-Star team upset the world champion Italian contract bridge team by 29 international match points in a match concluded today.

The Americans were leading by 20 match points today going into the 20 final hands of the 80-hand international competition.

The Italians cut the margin to six points in the first seven hands, but four hands later, the Americans picked up eight points by defeating a contract by three tricks. In the contract, the Italians were doubled on a four heart bid and were vulnerable.

STAR PLAYERS ABSENT

After that, the Americans pulled away, extending the victory margin to 29 points. The victory credited their success to more direct bidding methods than those used by an Eastern US team which was beaten by the Italians for the world championship.

It was also pointed out that three star players of the Italian team were unable to compete in the California contest, with non-playing Captain, Carl Albert Perroux taking over as an active member of the visiting foursome. He was paired with Eugene Chiaradito. Others were Giorgio Belladonna and Walter Averill.

The US team members from California were Lew Mathe, (captain), Meyer Schleifer, Don Onkie, Eddie Taylor, Bill Hanna and Paul Allinger—U.P.I.

ERSKINE NOW JOINS THE CONFUSING WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT MARKET

London, Feb. 25.
Gentle Joe Erskine's comeback by his clear-cut points decision at Wembley last night over number five world heavy, Willie Pastrano, has thrown the already complicated heavy-weight market here into chaos.

For former British champion, Erskine, will now stake his claim to a title fight with the reigning champion, Henry Cooper.

Erskine believes he could again beat "Old Henry", the man he twice won on points.

May Gain Listing

Erskine may also gain a listing among the world's top ten heavies, joining not only Cooper but another former British champion Brian London (who lost his crown recently to Cooper).

Six months ago Erskine's career as a top-line heavy looked washed up but now his connections will push him into the welter of negotiations of fighters who are seeking a title bout with American world king, Floyd Patterson.

But meanwhile, the interminable dreary negotiations for

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THE ROAD TO SUPER SOCCER

Germany's Plan Is Club And Country

By SIR GEORGE GRAHAM

Perhaps the biggest of British football controversies over the years has been the annual club versus country row. Clubs are becoming more and more antagonistic to the continued demands on their players' time, plus the emphasis on ideas and tactics which are perhaps different from their own.

Well, on my recent tour of the Continent I found what I believe to be the perfect answer. And I found it where I might have expected it—in the country where last-detail organisation is a national characteristic, Germany.

In fact, I believe Britain has more lessons to learn from Germany than any other country in the world. Their economic set-up is almost identical to Britain's, the big difference is that they have harnessed to their needs. In Britain they appoint a team manager or a trainer on someone else to take charge of the international side. Then they leave it to them to work out their own ideas with the players. How much better is the German system.

They, too, have a national team boss, the world famous Sepp Herberger. But he starts with a far bigger advantage than any British team boss ever did—he knows in advance that any player selected for Germany has already been coached along the lines wanted.

Teach Same Ideas

The reason is simple. Every first-class club in Germany has a coach. All those coaches teach the same ideas. And the national boss, Herberger, has constant conferences with the club men to make sure that the training schedule and methods always remain the same.

Every club coach is expected to help in the preparation of the national team. Each of them is instructed on the methods to be used with club players of international potential. Thus the whole country works together on a well-defined plan.

Thus there is no need for interference with club routine. No need to take players away for special training spells, because everybody knows what is required.

Does the German plan work?

I will only say that they won the World Cup in 1954 and were semi-finalists last year.

Basic Wage

Yet there is not one single full-time footballer in all Germany. By rule, every footballer must have another job.

All are signed under contracts for a definite period and are free to leave their clubs when that contract expires. Yet at the

end of last season only 110 did in fact change clubs. They are paid a basic wage of £15 a month, but can add to that by bonuses and appearance money up to maximum of £250 a month. Incidentally, they are not paid a farthing for playing in international matches. But they can still manage to be champions of the world.

Full Of Lessons

Gates are not divided in Germany. The home club keep the lot and must live on their own earnings. Germany is full of soccer lessons. Consider, for instance, how all their football is integrated from the schools upwards. The German F.A., as distinct from our own, get 100 per cent co-operation from their education authority.

Every First Division club in Germany has at least 20 teams and the biggest over 30—from schoolboys up to the top. Half the players are of school age. All of them are receiving coaching on the same international lines.

Nor is that all the help youngsters can get. Germany has no fewer than 14 sports schools, attached to the various clubs. They are used regularly by the clubs, mainly for the youth teams. They are supervised by the five regional associations, with all of them under the control of the national association.

The German System

It is in these schools that the World Cup lessons are first learned.

The German system produces its own stars, and there are no costly foreign imports into Germany, like most Continental countries. Foreign players are not needed although they are not barred.

For football purposes, West Germany is split into five regions, each with a 16-club league except Berlin, which is restricted to twelve clubs. In three regions, they also have 10-club Second Divisions with two up, two down promotion and relegation.

In Berlin, they have a unique system. The 12 clubs play each other three times—home and away and once on neutral ground. This is a novel and attractive way of discovering the best team in the League.

The German champions are found from a series of competitions in which the best eight teams take part. The National Cup is run on the same basis, with each region first finding its Cup winner.

Admirable

All the regional competitions are under the ultimate jurisdiction of the National Association, whose headquarters are in Frankfurt. There is no separate League set-up such as in this country.

I am bound to say I greatly admire the German set-up. There is more emphasis on the playing of the game than on finance.

The men behind the new Germany are Dr George Kandy, a very old friend of mine, and Dr Peter Bauwens, perhaps

Next Week's Sports Feature

With today's article Sir George Graham concludes his series on "The Road to Super Soccer".
Next Thursday China Mail begins another weekly sports feature entitled "The Man on Patterson's Trail" by the well-known sports writer-Dennis Hart.

better known as an international referee.

Dr Bauwens became president of the German FA in 1949. He began as a German international centre forward as far back as 1910. After taking up refereeing he officiated at no fewer than 82 internationals.

Both Dr Bauwens and Dr Kandy have built on the principle that football is still a sport and can be maintained as such. So far as Germany is concerned, there is no doubt about the success of their method.

COLOURLESS BRITISH ISLES PRO SQUASH TOURNAMENT THIS YEAR

London, Feb. 25.
The withdrawal of Hashim Khan, who will be flying home to Peshawar on Sunday "for a period of rest", of his brother Roshan, who is already in Pakistan, of Jamal Din of India and that of John Giles, the United Kingdom champion, robbed the first day of the British Isles professional squash rackets championship at the Royal Automobile Club, London, of much of its interest.

In fact only three matches were played today, which completed the first round of the tournament.

The only Asian competitor in action today was India's Khan Din of the Abbeydale Club, Sheffield. The Indian easily disposed of Englishman, R.S.V. Horsey of the Naval and Military Club, although the score of 9-7, 9-3 and 9-5 suggests a fairly hard match.

Favourite

However, Din showed his true ability in one brief spell when he went from three-all in the second game to four nil in the third game in one hand.

Azam Khan of Pakistan, the title holder and favourite in the absence of Hashim, reached the quarter-final stage without having to play a single stroke, through the withdrawal of Jamal Din.

Azam should have no difficulty in reaching the semi-finals for his next opponent, Englishman Phillip Ellis of the West London Club, is not expected to offer him very serious resistance.—France Presse.

UK Soccer Results

London, Feb. 25.

Results of today's English and Scottish matches were:

LEAGUE FOUR

Torquay U. 0 Carlisle U. 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division 1

Third Lanark 0 Hearts 4

(Postponed from January 17).

—Reuter.

World's Top Skiers Clash In The American Nordic Championships This Weekend

Squaw Valley, Feb. 25.
With expectations of relatively slow times because of the altitude of Squaw Valley, top skiers of the world gathered here today for a gala Olympic preview in the North American Nordic championships, scheduled for the weekend.

Basilio Issues

Challenge To

Archie Moore

Syracuse, Feb. 25.

America's former world welterweight and middleweight boxing champion, Carmen Basilio, today challenged America's "Old man of the mountains" Archie Moore, to put his light-heavyweight title on the line.

"If Roy Sugar Robinson can meet Moore, so can I," boasted Basilio, who took and lost the middleweight world crown in his two clashes with Robinson.

"I am tougher than Robinson," added Basilio, who pointed out that he would still be world middleweight champion if Robinson had not closed one of his eyes during their last fight.

Robinson would also like to meet Moore for his light-heavyweight crown. The champion said he would take Robinson on if he was sure of getting 45 per cent of the gate money, and Dr Peter Bauwens, perhaps

The cross-country competition includes a glittering array of skiing champions, among them the top stars of Norway, Sweden, Finland, the Soviet Union, Japan, Canada and the United States.

The 30-kilometre race—downhill, uphill and level—will bring together Jernberg, and Larsson of Sweden, Olympic Medal winner, Hallgren of Norway, Veltko of Finland and Russian champion, Nikolai Ankin. The top American competitor will be Ted Farwell of Denver, a veteran of two Olympic competitions, while Japan's hopes will be carried by Akio Kawamura.

27 Americans

The total list of competitors, in addition to 12 foreigners, included 27 Americans.

Sigge Bergman, President of the Swedish Ski Association, told reporters that the course for the competition—including the 15-kilometre competition scheduled for Monday—was "good," outside of the fact that the altitude has bothered most of the competitors.

Wendell Broomhall, who designed the course and who is an old friend of Bergman's, agreed that the elevation will slow the

competitors down, but pointed out that proper "waxing" as usual would be an important factor.

Arrangements have been made to keep the competitors informed with up-to-the-minute weather bulletins which will be posted every 30 minutes throughout the weekend. This will enable the skiers and their trainers to determine the wax formula to be used in accordance with the snow temperature.—France Presse.

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN

It is usually dangerous to reply to an attack on one of your pieces with an attack on one of your opponent's, as the following gamelet from Portugal (Durao v. Florio) illustrates:

1 P-K4, P-K5; 2 P-Q4, Kt-KB3; 3 B-KKt5, B-K2; 4 B-Q3, O-O; 5 Kt-QB3, Kt-P3; 6 BxP, Kt-Kt5; 7 BxP ch, K-R1; 8 Q-R5, Resigns.

Solution: No. 570: 1 QxP (threat 2 QxKt), Kt-Kt5; 2 QxP, or 1... Kt-Q5; 2 Q-Q4, or 1... Kt-Kt2, 2 R-K3. Fine interference play by the black knight.

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THE GAMBOLS . . .

by Barry Appleby

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Sports Diary

TODAY

Badminton
Entries close for the Hongkong
Badminton Senior Cup, 1959.
Ladies' Section, Charity Cup Com-
petition, 1959.

TO-MORROW

Boxing
Earl Hagg, Boxing Tournament at
Queen Elizabeth Stadium, Kowloon,
at 8.30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Cricket
First Test match between New
Zealand and England starts at
Christchurch.
Hockey
Senior Shield semi-final: KMB v
Tung Wah at H.K. Stadium, 3.30
p.m.
Junior Shield: Happy Valley v
Koon Woon (H.K. Stadium) 1.45
p.m.
Athletics
Fifth Open Athletic Meeting of
BYMCA at King's Park Hockey
ground, 2 p.m.
Rugby
Army Inter-Unit Rugby final at
Army ground, Boundary Street, 3
p.m.

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'Rotoiti' XV Outspeed Club

Carol Heiss Leads
In World Figure
Skating Tourney

Colorado Springs, Feb. 25.
World figure skating champion Carol Heiss (United
States) moved closer to her fourth consecutive world
title in the World championships here today.

In the compulsory figures, skated yesterday and today, Miss Heiss, a 19-year-old New York University student, scored 771.9 points, compared with 698.4 for Austria's Hanna Walter, the European champion, and 667.2 for Sjoukje Dijkstra of Holland.

The women's championship ends with the free skating tomorrow. Miss Dijkstra gained third place in the judges' place ratings, although she was actually behind Barbara Ann Roles, of California, on points. Miss Roles gained some of her 880.1 points total when she gave Miss Heiss her first figures defeat in over three years. She defeated the champion in the fifth figure.

But Miss Heiss came back to win the final figure and is a favourite to take the title tomorrow.

Placings

Leading placings after the six compulsory figures, are:-
1. Carol Heiss, United States, 771.9
2. Hanna Walter, Austria, 698.4
3. Sjoukje Dijkstra, Holland, 667.2
4. Barbara Roles, United States, 660.1
5. Joan Hannappel, Holland, 633.6
6. Ina Bauer, West Germany, 633.3—Reuter.

Rugby Results

London, Feb. 25.
Results of today's Rugby Union matches were:-
HOSPITALS' CUP
Semi-final
London 0, St Mary's 0.
OTHER GAMES
Harlequins 8, Army 3—Reuter.

WIN A FAST MOVING
GAME BY 16-3
Player Sent Off The Field

By PAK LO

Club went down yesterday evening on their own ground to the "Rotoiti" by 16 points (two goals, one try, one penalty goal) to three points (one try) after a fast moving game that swept from one 25 to the other in a succession of "cut and parry" moves by both sides.

In the first match of the evening Wayfoong, after an indifferent start against the Sappers, got three points from a penalty conversion, and from that point on never looked back to win by 14 points (one goal, one try, one dropped goal, one penalty goal) to nil over the Sappers.

The first half and part of the second half of the Club versus "Rotoiti" game was from a spectators' point of view first class, for either side could easily have won. But towards the end there were a series of incidents which the referee failed to see, and finally a Club player was sent off the field for "striking the referee".

Although the referee was quite correct in his decision there were certainly extenuating circumstances in this case. Firstly, the referee in the last ten minutes did not have a tight enough control over the game and there were some nasty and ugly incidents on both sides. This of course had the effect of rousing tempers in both XV's.

Hand Smacked

In the incident in question the referee went to warn the player for an infringement, but committed the error of touching him, and had his hand smacked for his pains, whereupon he created the offender from the field. All legal and correct but rather silly from everyone's point of view, and an incident that could have been smoothed over and forgotten with a warning.

The Club pack which was part of the "A" and part of the

"B" pack played a wonderful game, for they won the ball in the scrums and the loose mauls, and had a slight advantage in the lineouts where the heavy "Rotoiti" boys seemed to have trouble in getting off the ground.

Different Story

But behind the scrums it was a different story. Valentine was off form at fly-half and could not hold Tancock's passes very often, and when he did was inclined to try and break through the centre where he found the "Rotoiti" scrum half, Taenga and the wing forwards waiting for him.

The two Club centres Lochrie and McTavish did very well, with Lochrie giving excellent cover in defence, a cover that against the strong "Rotoiti" three was desperately needed.

The Club did not feed their wings much, and these were definitely their weakest points last night.

The "Rotoiti" three were excellent with Alexander on the wing putting in some lovely runs, while Bevan in the centre was placing the ball perfectly with his kicks ahead. Passing and tackling on both sides was generally excellent, except for

the first "Rotoiti" try which from the Club point of view was a shameful exhibition.

The Club back row with Steven again well to the fore were the danger in the loose, but had to go all out to beat the "Rotoiti" pack who were always trying.

For the first few minutes play was midfield, and then on the Club ten yard line, right in the centre of the field, "Rotoiti" were awarded a penalty for an

Taiwan Team's
Matches
Cancelled

The Taiwanese rugby team did not arrive by the mv Szechuen this morning.

The Hongkong Rugby Union has therefore cabled to the Taiwanese that in view of their non-arrival today it will not be able to accommodate them this year but hopes to do so next season.

All matches originally arranged between the visitors and local teams have now consequently been cancelled.

Infringement in a loose maul, and Bevan with a wonderful kick sent the ball sailing between the posts. 3-0.

A minute later Steven missed with a penalty conversion that should have levelled the scores.

Soon after Club were awarded a penalty on the half-way line, and McTavish kicked a long one for touch. It dropped just short and Alexander took it a few inches inside the touchline. He raced up the touch line with a lovely burst that took him clear of the Club wing forwards, but he was still faced by three Club players. As he was on his own he did the only thing possible. He kept on running.

Paralysed

The Club players seemed paralysed by his bursts of speed, and only threw themselves at him long after he had passed them. Had one of them even nudged him, Alexander who had no room to spare would have been forced into touch, but they didn't and Alexander crossed the line in the corner, and would have gone inside had it not been for McTavish, who though too late to stop him scoring, kept him to a try in the corner.

This too was a fantastic run, but was not so noticeable as McTavish did not have the ball. Bevan hit the crossbar with his kick, the ball hesitated, then bounced in to make it 8-0. Just before the end of the first half Club were penalised on their own 25 and Bevan had an easy kick to make it 11-0.

In the second half the game deteriorated into a forward battle and though the Club more than held their own, the three when they got the ball could not settle down in the second half.

Club's only score came about half way through the second half when McTavish took and missed a penalty well out on the 25. Whiteley got the ball, along it out to Lochrie who drew his man and then sent out a lovely pass to MacCallum who, unmarked, raced for the line and scored in the corner. Steven missed 11-3.

Close to the end the ball moved across the "Rotoiti" throw from a scrum on the 25 and Alexander went over well out. Bevan again converted to make it 16-3.



The Final of the Inter-Unit Rugby Knock-Out Cup Competition between 5 Fd Regt RA and 1 Green Howards will be played at the Police Recreation Ground, Boundary Street on Saturday starting at 2.30 p.m.

Admission is free and a large crowd would be most welcome.

The Commander, Land Forces, Brigadier J. M. A. Chestnutt, CBE, will attend the game and present the prizes, and the Band of the 1st Bn. The Lancashire Regiment will play at the ground. Spectators are asked to be seated by 2.10 p.m.

Last Saturday 5 Fd Regiment RA beat 1 Royal Tank Regiment by 12 points (two tries, two penalties) to three points (one try).

The score does not indicate the run of the game, which contrary to match reports was very close. In fact, the Gunners' winning margin of nine points was achieved in the second half of extra time through an opportunistic try, and two very good penalties.

The fitter Gunner pack began to get on top of the Tanks pack in the extra time and this was the deciding factor.

Fortunate

1 Green Howards only just ensured that it was not an all-Gunner final on Monday when they beat 22 Medium Regiment by three points (1 penalty) to nil under poor conditions. The Green Howards consider themselves fortunate to overcome what they describe as the strongest team they have met this season.

The teams for the final are: 5 Fd Regt: Capt Safford, Bdr Tilley, 2/Lt Webster, Capt Jewell, 1/Lt Peasley, Lt Williams, 2/Lt Phipps, 2/Lt Toogood, Bdr Curtis, Lt Dunscombe, Sgt Gibson, Sgt Wright, Lt Hodge, Lt Whitmore (Capt), 2/Lt Galletly.

1 Green Howards: 2/Lt Morkhill, Cpl Woods, 2/Lt Embley, 2/Lt Hammersham, 2/Lt Warington, Capt Gould, (Capt), 1/Lt Mountford, Lt Williams, Capt Lowe, Plie Lemage, 1/Lt Chappell, Lt Garnett, Lt Green, Capt Mander, 1/Lt Curney. Referee: Maj Quilley. Touch Judges: Maj Clifford and Capt Greig.

The Hexangular

The Hexangular Tournament is completed and Army North share the Trophy with Club thanks to Army South's splendid victory at Club's expense last Wednesday by five points (one goal) to nil. A table showing the first three teams achievements in the Tournament is published here at the request of several interested parties.

Army North 10 0 0 2 116 30 1st Club 10 0 0 2 122 31 2nd Army South 10 0 0 3 120 31 and Army team secretaries are reminded that entries for the Blarney Stone seven-a-side competition which is to be played on March 14 should be sent to R. Kilvert Esq., Hongkong Football Club, Sports Road, Hongkong by this coming Saturday. Full details have been circulated and prompt replies will be of great assistance to the organisers of the competition, the proceeds of which go to charity.

Before quite a large gathering of squash enthusiasts Captain J. M. Booth, RADC, became the new Colony squash champion.

At Victoria Barracks last Thursday evening he beat the reigning Champion F. H. A. Thornton, RAF, by three sets to two. The final score was 7-0, 4-0, 9-1, 9-6, 9-5. Thornton normally a slow starter took the first two sets, the first after quite a struggle. In the second set, he was really on top, and Booth was in trouble, mainly, I think, because he was trying to beat Thornton by sheer speed. But what a different story from then onwards.

Tables Turned

Using his head, and playing like a veteran Booth took the third set 9-1. At this stage Thornton found the tables turned and Booth then went on to take the fourth set at 9-6 to even the scores at two sets all.

The fifth and final set was cut and thrust all the way, but gradually Booth got on top. He went on to win 9-6, and so the match. Both Thornton, and Booth are to be congratulated on a very fine, and sporting game. To Booth the spoils of the victor and to Thornton the condolences for a very gallant, and sporting loser.

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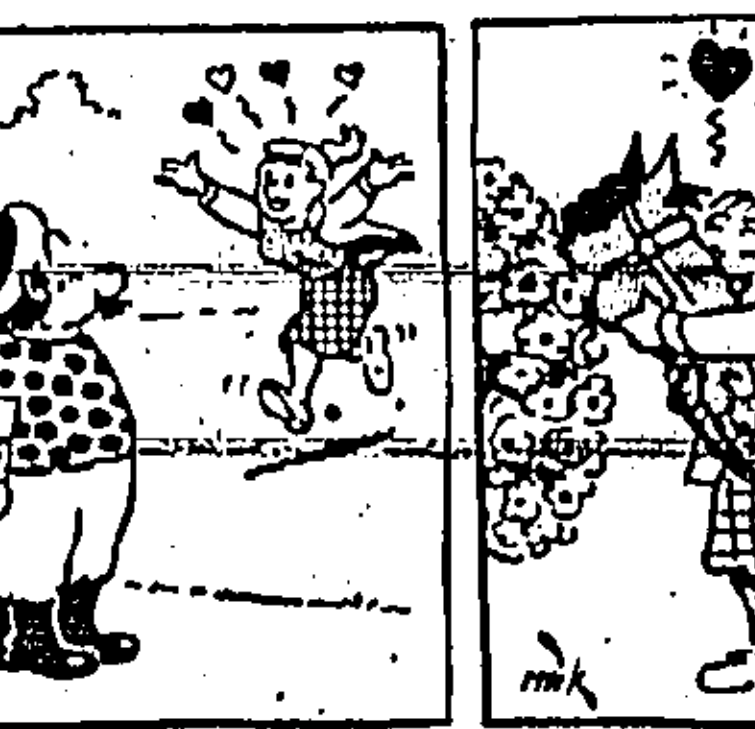
Memorial Cup

They are, Green, Davies, Sharp, Halliday, Woodcock, Holland, Coward, and Johnson. The team manager is Capt W. Alder, and Sgt Burdett has been selected as the coach. Nallany, Cumming, and Finch have been chosen as reserves, so once again the main playing strength chosen by the Hongkong Football Association comes from the Army.

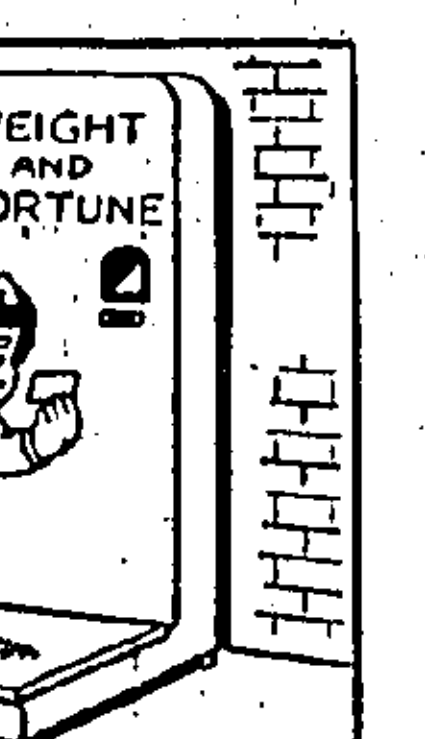
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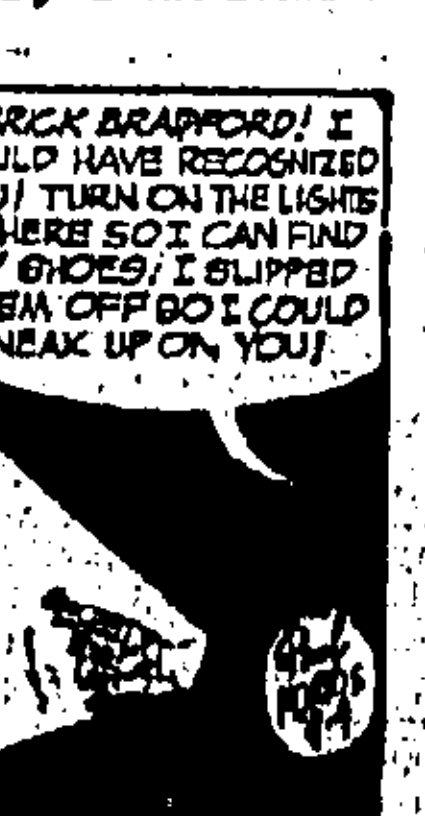
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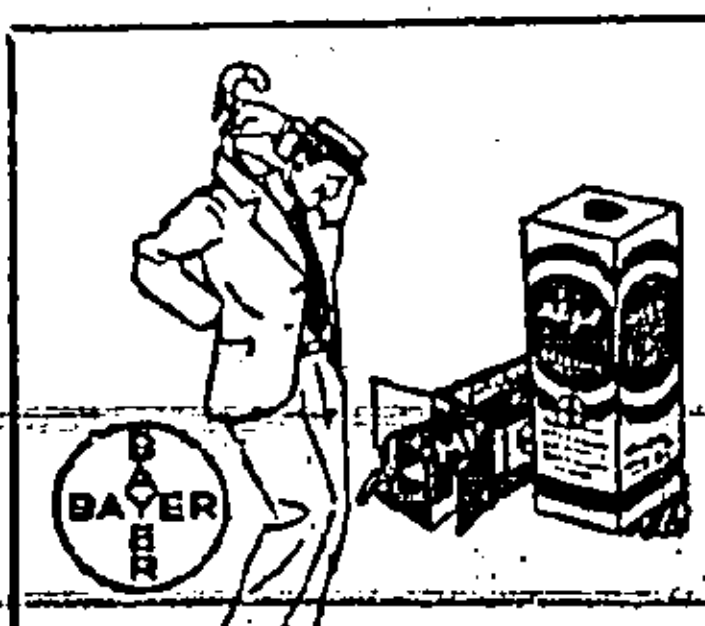
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JAPANESE NEWSLETTER by David Gordon

SLAPS AND PUNCHES ARE PART OF WORK LIFE

Tokyo.
Better working conditions and higher wages are usually
the quite reasonable demands made at this time of
the year by Japanese labour unions.

However, a new issue was
added this week when the All-
Japan Dock Workers Union called
for a series of strikes to
protest against "resort to
violence by superiors."
Slaps and punches—or even
worse—seem part of the wharf
labourer's lot in Japan.
A particularly savage case
was related during the Union's
Annual Congress. It concerned
a labourer and a mild instance
of piffery.
The man, Shizuo Kobayashi,
was unloading a vessel when a
case of American cigarettes was
broken.
Kobayashi was caught pocket-
ing three packets and was im-
mediately seized by three
foremen who strung him up by
the heels against the pier
then lashed him with lengths
of wire rope.

This unfortunate man had
both legs broken during this
assault and his face and body
were dreadfully lacerated.
It may be wondered at that
his fellows didn't come to his
assistance, but it is a Japanese
peculiarity not to "interfere"
in such matters.

This was amply proven in
Tokyo very recently when a
construction company recruited
30 men from an unemployed
labourer's shanty settlement
with a promise of ¥300 (67-)
daily plus dormitory accom-
modation and meals. The men
were "held in captivity" for
six weeks by the bully-boys
until one managed to "escape"
and inform the police.

These "slave labourers" were
working next to "free" men
each day during the period and
were driven to and from work
in a company truck. Yet
nobody aided them in the
slightest.

It may also be puzzling that
a company would go to such
lengths to save a daily outgo-
ing of a miserable ¥2—especially
when the nett economy after
paying the bullies would be so
low. But this is Japan.

A matter now before the
semi-paralysed Diet, is
that of the Minimum
Wages Bill.

The Socialist Party is seeking
a standard of a humble
¥8,000 (£8) monthly. The
government wants to make the
minimum variable with the re-
gion and each particular
industry.

This arrangement would
merely give official blessing to
all kinds of exploitation as the
interpretation of it would be
laxly controlled.

The entire problem of suit-
able recompense for Japan's
labour force and various pro-
visions for old age pensions and
other social amenities, will take
considerable solving.

The feudal "paternal system"
dies very hard and there is no
real desire on the part of capital
to see the workers living a
richer and better life.

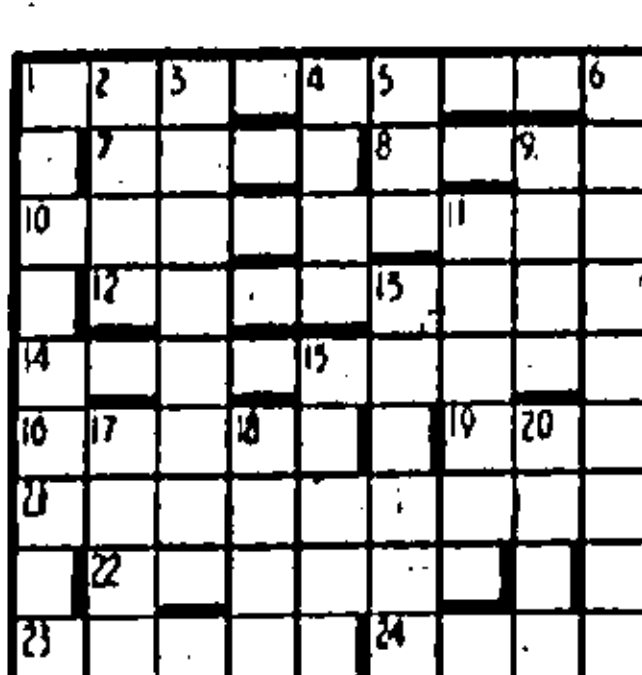
However, it must also be said
that the employee in Japan
enjoys a veritable immunity
from being sacked from his job
—except in the instance of the
casual worker.

With the resurgence of the
Zaibatsu, there is a very notice-
able trend among the rising em-
ployee potential to start a
working life for one of these
huge concerns.

Once on the payroll, job
security is virtually assured.

Tokyo socialites and the
Press corps had one of

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GERMANY OUSTS BRITAIN FROM SECOND PLACE

WESTERN Germany has moved into second place, ousting Britain, in the list of the world's shipbuilding nations.

Japan overtook Britain as the world's biggest shipbuilding nation three years ago. According to the latest figures issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping, Japan last year launched 2,050,000 tons of shipbuilding.

Western Germany was next with 1,450,000 tons and Britain third, with 1,395,000 tons.

Compared with 1955, Japanese launchings—although they fell last year from the 1956 peak—were still 12 million tons higher, while the German total has risen steadily to a point where it is now 530,000 tons greater.

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Unemployment And NY Bond Market Affect \$

London, Feb. 24.

The immediately serious aspects of the dollar are internal: unemployment and the New York bond market. Those two sectors have become more important than the gold stock; eventually they will decide the gold stock. It is a vital world interest that Washington should find some basis for tackling them.

LONDON HAS GAINS

London, Feb. 25.

A new fortnight account began today and stock markets were mostly cheerful with a good sprinkling of gains.

The brightest spot was in gold stocks where prices went ahead under the influence of United States buying through Johannesburg. Gains were widespread and in some cases substantial.

Western Rand shares were prominent with West Driefontein a feature at 3s 9d up to 12s 3d. Free State Geduld reached a new peak at 15s 12d.

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Activity

The Federal Reserve recedes that business activity is not rising fast enough to absorb the unemployment, and that industrial output and real personal income are no higher than three years ago, when population, industrial capacity and the money supply were all appreciably smaller. It is well aware of what rising and restricted output respectively do to productivity and unit costs.

Yet the Federal Reserve has to contemplate a third Bank Rate rise while Britain can contemplate a sixth Bank Rate cut.

More important, while the British authorities are taking their weight off the gilt-edged market, the New York gilt-edged market goes from bad to worse and its net is spreading to other obligations of the U.S. Government and to the dollar bonds of other governments, notably Canada's.

Having bitten the bullet in the credit squeeze of 1955-57 Britain can now take the popular course which may well be the disinflationary one—it only because unpopular severity which led to an inflationary change of Government would end up by being more inflationary. (If a shilling off the income tax proves to be a sharp stimulus to production and productivity and is also the price of avoiding a change of Government or a change of direction, is that shilling inflationary or the reverse?)

The United States, having been able to afford other things in 1955-57, now has to face a monetary and budgetary disinflation which may well be in vain.

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Apprehension

After his recent visit to the Far East the chairman of the Federal Reserve himself repeated that higher and growing U.S. production and rising U.S. prices are "in order." Mr. Martin is also among the crowd witnesses on the U.S. pricing itself out of its markets.

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INDUSTRIALS			
Union	22	22 1/2	12 1/2
SHIPPING			
Waterfront	27 1/2	27 1/2	50 1/2
Asia Nav.	1 1/2	1 1/2	250 1/2
Wheelocks	5 1/2	5 1/2	250 1/2
DOCKERS, ETC.			
R. Wharf	97	97	100 1/2
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RUBBER			
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A. Tawell	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
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Yankee	100	100	100
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			5000	66
Sungala	2.00		4000	66
UTILITIES				
Tram	20 1/2	20.70	000	66
Star Ferry				

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Last Night's Concert At Loke Yew Hall

AN EXCITING EVENING

By D. E. GRAY

ONE is always on dangerous ground when one alleges that the effort of someone is "the best he has ever done". But on looking back over the years, many will agree that last night's effort of the Hongkong Philharmonic Orchestra at Loke Yew Hall was probably their best effort so far. If attendance is any guide, the Hongkong public would appear to be in agreement, because the hall seemed to be completely full.

The big attraction was Beethoven's 4th Concerto, for Piano and Orchestra, a favourite with so many people. The solo pianist was Annalisa Taddei. Miss Taddei (now Mrs. V. O.), we all know from 1936. Great things were expected of her, and she certainly came up to all expectations. She has lost none of her brilliant technique, and her interpretation of the "4th" I liked better than most of those we are accustomed to hear on records. It was a privilege to hear this brilliant young pianist again.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Music Criticism

Sir, — Your correspondent "Noble" (C.M. 24,250) is being rather silly—and contradictory. He starts by saying that your music critic "is entitled to his or her opinion," and then goes on to virtually deny that right. The statement that "it appears to be the vogue in Hongkong to laud the amateur and disparage the professional" is certainly not the impression that I have gained—no matter who is sponsoring them. It stands to reason that a professional must be subjected to more searching criticism than an amateur, and cannot be allowed to "get away with" any technical faults. Heaven knows, professionals are society enough when referring to amateurs, though perhaps less so in the musical profession than in the dramatic profession. Many amateur performances have had some real "panning" from the critics at one time or another, perhaps more harsh than amateurs (who do it for love) deserve. Whether the conductor in question was good or indifferent does not concern me, but I will stoutly defend your critic's right to criticize and give his views to the public, and, in my humble opinion, she seems very well qualified to do so.

AMATEUR.

Big Tanker Launching In Formosa

Admiral Charles M. Cooke, Military Advisor to President Chiang Kai-shek, arrived this morning from the United States on his way to attend a tanker-launching ceremony in Formosa.

He was accompanied by Dr. Magnus Gregerson, Dean of the Physiological School at Columbia University, New York. Both are directors of the Ingalls-Talwan Shipbuilding Company.

After three days in Hongkong they will fly to Formosa where they will attend the launching ceremonies of the 20,000-ton tanker Shen Yang, the first ship of this size to be built at the company's yards.

Adm. Cooke and Dr. Gregerson are accompanied by their wives.

For those who did not hear her, there will be an opportunity to do so on Radio Hongkong on Friday evening, since this part of the concert was recorded.

The "4th" makes no great technical demands on the orchestra side. One felt the Philharmonic had plenty in reserve, and for most of the time (especially throughout the second movement) one was only conscious of that equal partnership essential to the portrayal of a great concerto.

The programme was an ambitious one. Rossini's William Tell Overture, with its trying cello solo for the cello (the nightmare of many a professional orchestra) opened with some hesitancy, as faulty cello intonation is the "bogey," but with the entry of the brass and the gallop taken at proper tempo, the performance was very creditable one for an orchestra of this kind.

The only number in the programme which I did not like was the Grieg Holberg String Suite. This is good music—a modern, compact form in reviving the classical suite. But it takes a good deal of rehearsal, and this work required considerably more preparation than appeared to have been given to it. Weaknesses in the second violin and cello sections were apparent here.

The first half closed with Smetana's Tone Poem "Moldau". This was very well-played throughout. The work made the greatest technical demands of the orchestra and all sections showed up well. The well-known Rondo and Rustic dance were particularly pleasing.

The second half of the programme was devoted to Beethoven's Piano Concerto, which was introduced by the composer's Egmont Overture. I rather liked the idea of each half of the programme commencing with an overture.

I am told that this orchestra last night had 55 players, the biggest it has ever been in history. I have nothing but praise for the able manner in which it has been trained by its conductor, Arrigo Foa.

He is also singularly fortunate in his leader, for the orchestra was very well led indeed by Dr. S. M. Bard, and this first violin section had a cohesion and strength which is indispensable to a good performance by any symphony orchestra, amateur or professional.

PROSECUTION TELLS OF VISIT TO SHIP

A shop-owner pleaded not guilty at the Victoria District Court this morning to possession of eight Tommy guns and 16 automatic pistols without a permit.

Lau Yiu-nam, alias Lau For-sang, 47, also denied a second charge of having control of the firearms.

In the first charge, Lau is additionally accused of possession of 10.45 magazines for the sub-machine guns, and 32.45 magazines for the pistols. The case is being heard before Judge B. J. Jennings.

The accused, described as owner of the Lau Sang Li Shop in Shanghai Street, is defended by Mr V. L. J. Dalton, instructed by Peter Mo and Co.

In his opening, Inspector T. W. Wheeler said evidence would be given that on November 9, 1957, Lau instructed the vessel and lowered three canvas bags and two tins on an errand.

They went to a pier in Jordan Road. Together with a fourth man, they boarded a motor boat which took them to a ship in the harbour.

The fourth man boarded the vessel and lowered three canvas bags and two tins on to the boat.

On returning to the pier, Inspector Wheeler said, the tins and bags were unloaded.

Some coolies were hired to carry the bags into a car, and these were driven away.

The accused, it is alleged, ordered his two foks to carry the two tins to the shop. On the way they were stopped by a Police constable, who took the two to Yau-mai Police Station.

There the tins were eventually opened, and each was found to contain revolvers and magazines.

Inspector Wheeler said that on November 10, 1957, the police raided a house in Reclamation Street and found the sub-machine guns and their magazines.

Lau was not arrested until December 8, 1958, in the New Territories.

The prosecutor stated that there had since been proceedings in a higher court, as a result of which an order for forfeiture of the arms had been made.

Mr F. A. Ewins, ballistics expert at Police Headquarters, testified that at 2 a.m. on November 10, 1957, he examined 16 pistols at Yau-mai Police Station.

Each contained a magazine. There were 32 spare magazines for each pistol.

"I tested them myself and found all to be in good condition and working order," he said.

The following day, Mr Ewins went on, he examined eight Tommy guns and found them also to be in good working order.

He identified the frames of these weapons exhibited in Court, and said they were all complete at the time he examined them.

Li See-1, motor boat cross-wain, testified that on November 9, 1957, at 7 p.m., four men hired his boat at a pier in Jordan Road.

"I cannot now remember any of these four men," said witness.

Li said he took the men to a ship named "China Hang", anchored off Yau-mai. One of the four boarded the ship and presently lowered three bags and two tins, of the type used for keeping kerosene.

The goods were taken to Yau-mai and loaded ashore, he said.

Two Hongkong Waifs Fly Home With The Longs

Three small passengers, Taffy, a three-year-old cocker spaniel, Bill and Nancy, two cats both two-and-a-half years old, flew across the Pacific from Hongkong to San Francisco by JAL yesterday.

They each travelled in a rattan basket, complete with a door and front and rear windows.

Taffy was bought in Hongkong by Mr Richard F. Long, Naval Liaison Officer at the US Consulate-General, while the two cats were picked up in the streets of the Colony by Mrs Long during her three years' stay here.

The Longs left by the same plane for San Francisco yesterday. Mr Long was on transfer to Washington where he will join the Naval Department as a civilian officer.

ROUND THE WORLD ON A BICYCLE

By TONY MYATT

But The Problem Is How To Ride Two!

At last I've met a man, to whom money matters little. He is 31-year-old Indian globetrotter Amarendra Roy, who in January last year set out to see the world on a bicycle, with only 27 rupees (HK\$15) in his pocket.

He relies more on the generosity of the people in the various countries he visits and so far, his cash shortage has proved no great handicap.

Already in Hongkong, a local firm have presented him with a new cycle on which to continue his journey. But he says he will try to take his "old faithful" along with him as well.

As a youngster, Roy wanted to see the world and learn as much as he could about other countries, especially the people and their ways of living.

He was granted special leave from his post as a clerk under the Port Commission in Calcutta to make his tour.

He left India on January 9, and so far has been to Burma, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and now Hongkong.

The different languages have proved no problem either. He learnt a few important words in each territory but on some occasions had to make do with sign-language.

NO FOOD He took shelter wherever he could and sometimes went for days on end without food.

In Vietnam he was involved in an accident with a lorry which kept him in hospital for 10 days, but the mishap made him famous in that country.

Otherwise his tour has been without incident. The rest of his journey will take him to Japan, the Philippines, Australia, Europe, to Rome for the 1960 Olympics, Paris, London and America. He hopes to be back in India by the end of 1963 or the first quarter of 1964.



AMARENDA ROY

Thefts From Parked Cars

An umbrella and a woollen pullover were stolen from a private car parked outside the Government Stadium, Soekunpo, yesterday afternoon. A speedometer, worth \$20, was stolen from a motor-cycle parked in Sai Yung Choi Street.

Off To Bangkok

Mr. E. M. Barber, retired Vice-President of the United Steel Company of America, and Mrs Barber, left Hongkong this morning by P&O for Bangkok after a short holiday here.

Flower Arrangement Display In Government House Ballroom

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A flower arrangement and decorated table display will be held in Government House on March 25 from 2 to 7 p.m. The competition is organised by the Women's Auxiliary of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

The ballroom, graciously made available by Lady Black, will provide an imposing setting for the formal tables, luncheon, special and national tables in addition to

the massed flowers, line, miniature and Japanese arrangements on stands which will surround the room.

This year there will be a special class for business firms, hotels, shops and factories. There will be three prizes awarded in each of the nine classes and a special prize for the

FERRY WAITER FINED \$1,000 FOR GOLD SMUGGLING

A waiter on the mv Tai Loy who pleaded guilty to illegally importing 151.3 taels of gold into the Colony was fined \$1,000 by Mr Derek Cons at Central Magistracy this morning.

Defendant was Peon Sang, 44, of 315 First Street, Fu Mei Village. He was represented by Mr G. E. S. Stevenson of Stewart & Co.

Revenue Inspector Y. K. Wong who prosecuted, told the Court that on Wednesday a party of Revenue officers saw defendant on the Tai Loy and asked if he had anything to declare. Defendant said no.

A search revealed 20 bars of gold hidden in a food cabinet.

\$200 A MONTH

In mitigation, Mr G. E. S. Stevenson said the accused was a waiter and his basic salary was \$30 a month with tips he would earn up to \$200. He had a wife, four sons and three daughters, all dependent on him.

Mr Stevenson asked the Magistrate to be as lenient as possible with the defendant.

Another defendant, Yung "Kim, 37, of 472 Queen's Road West, second floor, who was charged with the same offence was acquitted.

The prosecution offered no evidence against him.

MYSTERY EXPLOSION INQUIRIES

The Police are still making inquiries into a mysterious explosion which resulted in the death of one man and injuries to six others.

No information is yet available from official sources regarding the incident.

Yesterday evening, Chui Kwok-fai, whose age is about 30, went to open the door of his car which was parked at the junction of Nelson Street and Tung Choi Street, Kowloon.

An explosion occurred. Chui had just attended his final evening classes at the Tak Yan School, Nelson Street. He died soon after.

The six injured were taken to hospital, among them being one of the night school teachers and two other pupils.

GENERAL FOOTE INDISPOSED

Major-General H. R. B. Foote, VC, the Representative Colonel Commandant of the Royal Tank Regiment, who was to inspect the 1st Royal Tank Regiment this morning was indisposed. The parade was cancelled.

General Foote arrived here last Monday to visit the Tank Regiment. He has planned to leave Hongkong on Saturday.

Crewmen's Contract Unusual, Says Judge

Mr Justice A. D. Scholes in the Supreme Court this morning described a guarantee document signed between the Everett Steamship Corporation and members of the crew on board one of its ships as "rather unusual from the legal point of view."

Mr Justice Scholes was referring to a document which provides for cash guarantee to be paid in advance to the company by members of the crew as a protection against any detention or delay caused to the vessel, on which they work, as a result of any malpractice on board real or suspected.

The document was subject to a discussion in a civil action taken by a motorman against the Everett Steamship Corporation.

SHIP DELAYED The motorman Cheng Hsueh-kwong who had been dismissed from the ms Bradeverett with some others, is suing the company for the return of \$20,000 which he had paid as cash guarantee upon employment.

The Defence said there was a nine-day delay of the Bradeverett at Chittagong by customs men in September resulting from the seizure of 200 bars of gold and that the company had suffered a loss amounting to \$109,988.

Mr Justice Scholes said that the document was rather rich, and that a man could lose his money because of someone else's fault.

Hearing is continuing. Two Chinese were arrested by the Police yesterday on suspicion of various pocket-picking offences.

From the Files

25 years AGO

ONE of the best liked members of the Hongkong Police Force, Inspector Ernest Bloor is due to sail Home shortly on retirement on a well-earned pension. Joining the Force from Home in 1911, Inspector Bloor was promoted Inspector in 1927. He has since been in charge of various District Stations.

A two-man camera team from Fox-Movietone engaged in producing the well-known Magic Carpet travel series, passed through Hongkong on their way to North China, saying they planned to add Hongkong to their series sometime next month.

TWO of Hollywood's luminaries, Cary Grant and Virginia Cherrill played a new role today when they formed a partnership at the Westminster Register Office in London. Virginia Cherrill acted as the blind girl in Charlie Chaplin's "City Lights."

Antonio Luis Alves, late of 41 Granville Road, Kowloon who died on January 10, 1934 left local estate valued at \$382,000. Letters of Administration have been granted to Laura Irene D'Almeida e Castro, sister of the deceased.

HIS Honour, Mr Justice McGreggor, who has been appointed Chief Justice of the Colony will arrive on Thursday morning by the P and O liner Chitral to take up his new duties.

Meanwhile the last appearance of Mr R. Wood as acting Chief Justice of the Colony, from which post he is retiring in a few days, was attended yesterday by members of both branches of the legal profession when regrets were expressed at his impending departure.

The death of Mr Oscar Germano Mongkol, aged 63, occurred in Bangkok.

The same day paper also reported the death of Mr E. Ribeiro of the American Express Co Inc, aged 88. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Rene and Hugo.

In Shanghai, the death of Mr Charles Thomas Parsons, 58, supervisor of the Kingman Club and the International Recreation Club, occurred.

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